

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

In re:

MINING PROJECT WIND DOWN HOLDINGS, INC.
(f/k/a Compute North Holdings, Inc.), *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 22-90273 (MI)

(Jointly Administered)

**BITNILE INC.'S EMERGENCY MOTION UNDER BANKRUPTCY RULE 3018 FOR
TEMPORARY ALLOWANCE OF CLASS 3 CLAIM FOR VOTING PURPOSES ONLY**

**EMERGENCY RELIEF HAS BEEN REQUESTED NOT LATER THAN 1:30 P.M.
(CENTRAL TIME) ON FEBRUARY 16, 2023.**

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EMERGENCY CONSIDERATION IS NOT WARRANTED, YOU MUST APPEAR AT
THE HEARING IF ONE IS SET, OR FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE PRIOR TO THE
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GRANT THE RELIEF REQUESTED.**

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¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Mining Project Wind Down Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Compute North Holdings, Inc.) (4534); Mining Project Wind Down LLC (f/k/a Compute North LLC) (7185); Mining Project Wind Down Corpus Christi LLC (f/k/a CN Corpus Christi LLC) (5551); Mining Project Wind Down Atoka LLC (f/k/a CN Atoka LLC) (4384); Mining Project Wind Down BS LLC (f/k/a CN Big Spring LLC) (4397); Mining Project Wind Down Colorado Bend LLC (f/k/a CN Colorado Bend LLC) (4610); Mining Project Wind Down Developments LLC (f/k/a CN Developments LLC) (2570); Mining Project Wind Down Equipment LLC (f/k/a CN Equipment LLC) (6885); Mining Project Wind Down King Mountain LLC (f/k/a CN King Mountain LLC) (7190); Mining Project Wind Down MDN LLC (f/k/a CN Minden LLC) (3722); Mining Project Wind Down Mining LLC (f/k/a CN Mining LLC) (5223); Mining Project Wind Down Pledgor LLC (f/k/a CN Pledgor LLC) (9871); Mining Project Wind Down Member LLC (f/k/a Compute North Member LLC) (8639); Mining Project Wind Down NC08 LLC (f/k/a Compute North NC08 LLC) (8069); Mining Project Wind Down NY09 LLC (f/k/a Compute North NY09 LLC) (5453); Mining Project Wind Down STHDAK LLC (f/k/a Compute North SD, LLC) (1501); Mining Project Wind Down Texas LLC (f/k/a Compute North Texas LLC) (1883); Mining Project Wind Down TX06 LLC (f/k/a Compute North TX06 LLC) (5921); and Mining Project Wind Down TX10 LLC (f/k/a Compute North TX10 LLC) (4238). The Debtors' service address for the purposes of these chapter 11 cases is 300 North LaSalle, Suite 1420, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

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BitNile, Inc. ("BitNile"), for its *Emergency Motion Under Bankruptcy Rule 3018 for Temporary Allowance of Class 3 Claim for Voting Purposes Only* (the "Motion" or "Emergency Motion"), respectfully represents:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. This Emergency Motion seeks to prevent a bogus objection from improperly disenfranchising a significant and legitimate creditor from voting on the Debtors' chapter 11 plan [Docket No. 889] (the "Plan"). The Debtors' original claim objection and supporting declaration of Portage Point [Docket Nos. 846 and 846-1, respectively] allege, among other items, that BitNile has no claim, even for the amount of its paid Deposit, despite the fact that the Debtors *never* energized BitNile's mining machines, *never* performed any of their obligations under the Master Agreement (defined below), and even though the Debtors have still not returned to BitNile all of its approximately 6,572 miners, which have a value in excess of \$40 million.² With its Master Agreement (defined below) recently rejected [Docket No. 871] (the "Rejection Order"), after months of damaging delay, and still without recovery of its miners, BitNile is now forced to find another location (or build its own) to energize and operate its miners. In the face of these facts, it is unconscionable that the Debtors seek to strip BitNile of its Plan vote.

² The Debtors have not returned approximately 5,711 miners. As set forth below, approximately 861 miners have been returned, though with damage.

2. The Court should, therefore, allow BitNile’s claim as set forth herein for voting purposes only, with all parties’ rights reserved on the underlying merits of the claim for later adjudication.

II. REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY HEARING

3. The Debtors objected to BitNile’s Initial Claim (as defined below) on January 13, 2023 [Docket No. 846] (the “Initial Claim Objection”). Subsequent to this Initial Claim Objection, on January 27, 2023, the Court entered its Rejection Order, rejecting BitNile’s Master Agreement (defined below) and which provided a 30-day window for BitNile to file its rejection claim. On February 1, 2023, BitNile filed its rejection claim (the “Rejection Claim”) which, as the Court well knows, is deemed allowed and is *prima facie* valid unless and until an objection thereto is filed. 11 U.S.C. § 502(a). No objection to the Rejection Claim has yet been filed, but as a result of the Debtors’ pending Initial Claim Objection, BitNile has been unable to officially vote its Rejection Claim. The Debtors have informally advised BitNile they dispute the Rejection Claim, as well as BitNile’s right to vote on the Plan.

4. On February 4, 2023, the Debtors provided BitNile with a form of proposed stipulation and agreed order allowing the Rejection Claim for voting purposes only in the amount of \$2,213,046.70. Discussions between the parties ensued until February 9, 2023, at which point the Debtors informed BitNile they no longer had authority to enter into the stipulation unless it contained a “global resolution” of all claims, including BitNile’s causes of action against certain of the Debtors’ insiders for, *inter alia*, fraud in the inducement, pending in federal court in Minnesota.³

³ In that regard, on February 1, 2023, BitNile filed its *Notice of Non-Consent and Election to Opt-Out of Third-Party Releases* [Docket No. 895].

5. Given that February 10, 2023, is the deadline established by the Court to file rule 3018 motions [Docket No. 715], and to avoid being disenfranchised at the last minute, BitNile seeks emergency relief to have its Rejection Claim allowed for voting purposes, as set forth herein.

III. FACTS AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

6. BitNile is a leading cryptocurrency miner. BitNile and Compute North LLC are parties to that certain Master Agreement, dated August 15, 2022 (the “Master Agreement”), pursuant to which Compute North was to provide colocation and other services for BitNile’s cryptocurrency mining hardware (the “Mining Equipment”). BitNile’s Mining Equipment has a value in excess of \$40 million.

7. Upon entry into the Master Agreement, BitNile and Compute North executed an Order Form (the “Order Form”) pursuant to which (a) BitNile delivered approximately 6,572 miners to Compute North, ultimately to be located in the Wolf Hollow Facility in Granbury, Texas (the “Wolf Hollow Facility”), which facility was owned by non-debtor CN Borrower, LLC (“CN Borrower”) and (b) Compute North was to install those miners and provide, among other things, electricity and network connectivity necessary for the miners to operate.⁴

8. On August 22, 2022, BitNile paid an initial deposit in the amount of \$2,012,088.00 (the “Deposit”) to Compute North. At the time the Deposit was made, BitNile was assured that its Mining Equipment would be ready for use and energized in the September/October 2022 time period. Nevertheless, the Mining Equipment was never energized or “powered on.”

9. According to the *Declaration of Harold Coulby, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Debtors, In Support of the Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Pleadings* [Docket No. 22] (the “Coulby Declaration”), and unbeknownst to BitNile, three days prior to

⁴ A copy of the Master Agreement and Order Form are annexed as Exhibit A hereto.

execution of the Master Agreement (that is, August 12, 2022), the Debtors' lender and purchaser herein, Generate Lending LLC ("Generate"), exercised a voting proxy and appointed its own managers to form a new board and take control of CN Borrower and the Wolf Hollow Facility. Generate also exercised its rights under a deposit account control agreement and restricted use of a bank account containing \$23.6 million. Coulby Declaration ¶¶ 60–62. Despite surely knowing these critical facts, the Debtors failed to make any disclosures about the same to BitNile.

10. The Deposit has never been returned or accounted for by the Debtors.

11. On September 22, 2022 (the "Petition Date"), Debtors each filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

12. On November 16, 2022, BitNile timely filed its initial claim against Compute North LLC in the amount of \$2,124,493.00 (the "Initial Claim"). A true and correct copy of the Initial Claim is attached hereto as **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by reference.

13. As part of the normal-course confirmation process, the Debtors served a Class 3 Ballot upon BitNile with its own unique E-Ballot ID 275-01210769339, so that BitNile could vote its Class 3 Claim for or against the Plan.

14. On January 10, 2023, BitNile submitted its ballot in the voting amount of \$2,124,493.00 to "Reject" the Plan and also "Opted Out" of the third-party releases. The Opt Out was important as BitNile previously commenced a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota against various officers and employees of Compute North for fraud, fraudulent concealment/fraudulent nondisclosure, and civil conspiracy.⁵

15. On January 19, 2023, the Debtors filed their Initial Claim Objection to BitNile's Initial Claim, alleging that: (i) BitNile was not entitled to claim the amount of its Deposit because

⁵ See *BitNile, Inc. v. Perrill, et al.*, Case 0:22-cv-02911-WMW-DTS (D. Minn), filed on November 15, 2022.

the Master Agreement “provides that deposits under the agreement are ‘non-transferrable under any circumstance and are not refundable’ except under certain conditions not applicable to BitNile or its deposit”; and (ii) BitNile was not entitled to claim storage and shipping costs as they were “BitNile’s to bear” and “the Debtors were never responsible for them, under the Master Agreement or otherwise.”

16. On January 27, 2023, this Court entered its Rejection Order, which rejected the Master Agreement and Order Form (among other agreements) and gave counterparties to the rejected contracts thirty (30) days to submit proofs of claim for rejection damages.

17. BitNile filed its Rejection Claim on February 1, 2023. A true and correct copy of the Rejection Claim is attached hereto as **Exhibit C** and incorporated herein by reference. The Rejection Claim asserts a claim for the following amounts:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Deposit paid	\$2,012,088.00
Storage fees incurred to-date	\$22,481.70
Estimated additional storage fees expected to be incurred through May 2023 ⁶	\$20,000.00
Initial moving fees to Wolf Hollow Facility	\$90,405.00
Estimated moving fees from Wolf Hollow Facility	\$68,072.00
Estimated packaging costs to ship Mining Equipment	TBD ⁷
Lost profits for the period October 1, 2022 through May 2023, which is comprised of: \$103,556.85 in losses between October 1, 2022 and January 31, 2023, ⁸ and estimated losses of \$125,446.92 for February 1,	\$229,003.95

⁶ BitNile includes expenses, costs, and lost revenue through June 2023, as BitNile hopes to secure an alternate site for its Mining Equipment to be powered on by July 1, 2023. BitNile reserves the right to supplement its claimed damages to the extent that BitNile is unable to secure an alternate site for the Mining Equipment to be powered on by July 1, 2023, and/or the Debtors damage or fail to release to BitNile any of the Mining Equipment.

⁷ BitNile is awaiting an estimate of these costs from US Bitcoin Corp. as operator of the Wolf Hollow Facility.

⁸ These amounts were calculated using the calculator available at:

<https://www.coinwarz.com/mining/bitcoin/calculator>, utilizing the following inputs: (i) Bitcoin Mining Hashrate: 650 PH (for 6,572 machines); (ii) Power Consumption of 1,985,000 Watts (for all 6,572 machines); (iii) Electrical costs all in at \$0.07; and (iv) Pool/maintenance fee of .03%.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2023 through June 30, 2023 (based on the average per diem losses for the period October 1, 2022 through January 31, 2023)	
Estimated cover damages (for the period July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027) ⁹	\$18,625,454.40
TOTAL	\$21,067,505.05

18. While the Debtors have not yet objected to the Rejection Claim, they have informed BitNile they disagree with the Rejection Claim for the same reasons set forth in the Initial Claim Objection, and that BitNile’s claim for lost profits and cover damages (as reflected in the Rejection Claim) are barred by Article 11 of the Master Agreement, which contains certain limitations on liability. However, BitNile submits those limitations do not apply where, *inter alia*, Compute North never performed *any* services under the Master Agreement, and where Compute North and its executives fraudulently induced BitNile to enter into the Master Agreement. *See, e.g., Simmonds Equip., LLC v. GGR Int’l, Inc.*, 126 F. Supp. 3d 855, 867 (S.D. Tex. 2015) (holding that party could not limit liability based on agreement “because ‘Texas courts may not enforce a contractual limitation of liability as a defense to an intentional tort such as fraud’”); *Aluchem, Inc. v. Sherwin Alumina, L.P.*, No. CIV.A. C-06-183, 2007 WL 1100473, at *9 (S.D. Tex. Apr. 11, 2007) (same); *see also Kalisch-Jarcho, Inc. v. City of New York*, 58 N.Y.2d 377, 385 (1983) (“an exculpatory clause is unenforceable when, in contravention of acceptable notions of morality, the misconduct for which it would grant immunity smacks of intentional wrongdoing. This can be explicit, as when it is fraudulent”).

19. Moreover, as of today, the Debtors have still not returned all of BitNile’s Mining Equipment, which has a value of \$40 million, and which BitNile fears may be damaged and/or

⁹ These cover damages were calculated by comparing the pricing set forth in BitNile’s agreements with Compute North during the period covered by those agreements, and the pricing demanded by Generate, and is subject to change.

wrongfully withheld. Indeed, of BitNile's 6,572 miners, the first return shipment of 861 miners revealed a variety of damage and denting to the machinery, which will result in additional losses to BitNile and hence, and increased claim amount.

20. Finally, as stated above, on February 1, 2023, BitNile attempted to vote the Rejection Claim, but was not permitted to do so by the balloting agent as a result of the Debtors' pending Initial Claim Objection.

IV. RELIEF REQUESTED

21. By this Motion, BitNile respectfully requests the entry of an order, pursuant to Rule 3018 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, temporarily allowing its Rejection Claim solely for the purpose of voting to accept or reject the Plan.

V. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

22. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334(b). Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A), (B), (L) and (O).

23. The predicates for the relief requested herein include, without limitation, sections 105, 1126 and 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 3018.

VI. ARGUMENTS AND AUTHORITIES

24. Only holders of allowed claims or interests are permitted to vote to accept or reject a chapter 11 plan. 11 U.S.C. § 1126. A claim represented by a timely and properly filed proof of claim "is deemed allowed, unless a party in interest . . . objects." 11 U.S.C. § 502(a).

25. Where a claim is not yet allowed due to a pending objection, a court may temporarily allow the claim or interest in an amount which the court deems proper for the purpose of accepting or rejecting a plan. Bankruptcy Rule 3018(a) ("Notwithstanding objection to a claim

or interest, the court after notice and hearing may temporarily allow the claim or interest in an amount which the court deems proper for the purpose of accepting or rejecting a plan.”).

26. The policy behind Bankruptcy Rule 3018(a) is “to prevent possible abuse by plan proponents” who attempt to ensure acceptance of a plan by strategically objecting to the claims of dissenting creditors. *In re Armstrong*, 294 B.R. 344, 354 (10th Cir. B.A.P. 2003). Claims litigation can also be lengthy and may not be resolved before voting on a plan. Bankruptcy Rule 3018(a) “was designed to give all creditors, even those holding disputed claims, the opportunity to vote.” *In re Century Glove, Inc.*, 88 B.R. 45, 46 (Bankr. D. Del. 1988).

27. The court’s discretion to allow a claim temporarily for voting purposes is flexible. *See In re Ralph Lauren Womenswear, Inc.*, 197 B.R. 771, 775 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1996). Bankruptcy courts also have flexibility to “employ whatever method is best suited to the circumstances of the case” when determining whether and in what amount to allow a claim for voting purposes. *Id.* at 775; *see also In re Frascella Enterprises, Inc.*, 360 B.R. 435, 458 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 2007) (stating that determination of whether and how to temporarily allow claim is left to the court’s discretion but declining to do so since the outcome of the vote will not affect the outcome of confirmation).

28. Although the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules provide no guidance as to how a court should calculate a claim for voting purposes, courts have held that the calculation “should ensure that the voting power is commensurate with the creditor’s economic interests in the case.” *In re Quigley Co.*, 346 B.R. 647, 654 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2006). When determining whether to temporarily allow a claim, courts may look to (1) the debtor’s scheduling of the claim, (2) the proof of claim filed, and (3) the debtor’s objection to determine parties’ expectations regarding the amount and nature of the claim to be voted. *In re Stone Hedge Props.*, 191 B.R. 59,

65 (Bankr. M.D. Pa. 1995). Calculation of a claim under Bankruptcy Rule 3018(a), however, is not determinative of or preclusive upon the ultimate validity or amount of the claim or any causes of action before a non-bankruptcy court. *See Quigley*, 346 B.R. at 654.

29. BitNile's Rejection Claim constitutes *prima facie* evidence of the validity of such rejection claim, 11 U.S.C. § 502(a), and nothing in the Initial Claim Objection or otherwise rebuts the presumption in favor of allowing BitNile's claim for voting. Without this relief, a major creditor in these cases will be unfairly disenfranchised and have no opportunity to vote on the Plan.

30. Under the circumstances present here, the Court should exercise its discretion to temporarily allow BitNile's Rejection Claim solely for the purpose of voting on the Plan. Temporarily allowing BitNile's Rejection Claim for voting purposes comports with the spirit of the Bankruptcy Code, which encourages creditor voting and participation in the reorganization process. *In re Amarex Inc.*, 61 B.R. 301, 303 (Bankr. W.D. Okla. 1985) (“[T]o allow [the disputed claims] to vote on the plans, even though some may be eventually disallowed for purposes of distribution, is more in keeping with the spirit of Chapter 11 which encourages creditor vote and participation in the reorganization process.”). BitNile's Rejection Claim should be allowed for voting as a Class 3 claim to avoid abuse by the Plan proponents and/or disenfranchising a legitimate creditor from voting.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, BitNile respectfully requests that the Court enter an order, substantially in the form attached hereto (i) temporarily allowing BitNile's Rejection Claim for voting purposes only, (ii) permitting BitNile to actually vote its Rejection Claim for or against the Plan as BitNile may determine and (iii) granting BitNile such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

Houston, Texas
February 10, 2023

/s/ Jason S. Brookner

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the 10th day of February 2023, he caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing document to be served electronically via the Court's CM/ECF system for the Southern District of Texas.

/s/ Jason S. Brookner

Jason S. Brookner

Exhibit A

Master Agreement and Order Form



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Exhibit A – Order Form

Customer: Ault (BitNile)

Date of Order or Change Order: 8/15/22

Batch #	001		
Deal ID	6993418348		
Order Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Order <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Change Order		
Equipment			
Quantity	Model	Unit Efficiency (W/TH)	
6,500	Antminer S19j Pro (100TH)	31	
Hosting Services Rate (USD)	Anticipated Daily Rate: \$32,884.80 (equivalent to \$0.068 / kWh)		
Total Monthly Package Fee (per unit)	Select @ \$3.00		
Equipment Term	60 Months		

Package Details:

	Basic	Select	Premier
Core Features			
Equipment	Customer Provided	Customer Provided	Customer Provided
Equipment Managed	No	Yes	Yes
Rack Space	X	X	X
240V Power	X	X	X
Ambient Air Cooling	X	X	X
Redundant Internet Connectivity	X	X	X
Physical Security	X	X	X
Technical Support			
Basic Remote Hands	X	X	X
Advanced Remote Hands		X	X
SLA Level	Network & Power	Hashrate Performance	Hashrate Performance
VPN Access	X		
RMA Processing		X	X
Premium Features			
Miner Configuration		X	X
Miner Monitoring		X	X
Alert Management and Proactive Response		X	X
Automated Rules-based Reboots		X	X
Stock Firmware Upgrades		X	X
Compute North Pool (U.S.-based pool)			X
Pool to Hash Performance Monitoring, Audit, Reconciliation			X
Discounted Pool Fee			X
Performance Enhancing Firmware			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overclocking, Underclocking, Auto-tuning, Upgrades Customer provided (subject to Compute North approval) or Compute North provided (miner model limited) 			X

Payment and Billing Terms:



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- **Initial Setup Fee:** Initial Setup Fee is due upon execution of this Order Form.
- **Monthly Fees:**
 - Last two months of Monthly Service and Package Fees are due upon execution of this Order Form (the "Initial Deposit"), as follows:

Initial Deposit

Service Fees: (\$32,884.80 /day x 30 days/mo. x 2 mos.)	\$1,973,088.00
Package Fees: (6,500 miners x \$3.00/miner x 2 mos.)	+ \$39,000.00
Total Initial Deposit	<u>\$2,012,088.00</u>

Equipment installation will not begin until received.

- The Monthly Service Fee is payable based on the actual hashrate performance of the Equipment per miner type per location as a percentage of the anticipated monthly hashrate per miner type. Customer shall pay a minimum service fee monthly in advance equal to seventy percent (70%) of the Expected Monthly Service Fee (the "Minimum Service Fee") based on the Anticipated Daily Rate. The Minimum Service Fee is nonrefundable.
- The actual Monthly Service Fee is determined using the Hashrate Performance Adjustment:

$$\text{Hashrate Performance Adjustment} = \text{Expected Monthly Service Fees} \times (100\% - \text{Actual hashrate performance percentage by model type})$$

Any Monthly Service Fee owed in excess of the Minimum Service Fee net of the Hashrate Performance Adjustment will be invoiced monthly in arrears. Customer is not eligible for service credits.

- Monthly Service Fees and Monthly Package Fees will be invoiced monthly beginning on the date of Installation and are due upon receipt of invoices submitted by Compute North. Late payments will incur interest at the lesser of 1.5% per month (18% annum) or the maximum amount allowed under applicable law.
- Pricing is subject to monthly automated ACH payments. Other payment methods may be subject to a service fee.

Billing Example – Minimum Service Fee

Anticipated Daily Rate (One Miner)	\$4.00
Period (Days in the Month)	30
Number of Units	10
Expected Total Monthly Service Fees	\$1,200.00
	x 70%
Monthly Minimum Service Fee	\$840.00

Billing Example: 96% hashrate performance

Expected Total Monthly Service Fees	\$1,200.00
Hashrate Performance Adjustment (-4%)	-\$48.00
Total Monthly Service Fee	\$1,152.00

Minimum Service Fee (Prepaid)	-\$840.00
Balance Due	\$312.00

Billing Example: 105% hashrate performance

Expected Total Monthly Service Fees	\$1,200.00
Hashrate Performance Adjustment (5%)	\$60.00
Total Monthly Service Fee	\$1,260.00

Minimum Service Fee (Prepaid)	-\$840.00
Balance Due	\$420.00

Real-Time Interruptible Power:

Real-time interruptible power may not be available for all Equipment. When real-time interruptible power is available, Customer consents to Compute North installing, configuring and maintaining software (including firmware) on the applicable Equipment and using such software to provide real-time interruptible power services subject to this Agreement. Customer acknowledges and agrees that its use of such software is subject to Compute North's agreement with the licensor(s) thereof.



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Deployment Priority:

Customer's deployment priority is established as of the date on which Compute North receives the Initial Deposit. Once established, Compute North will use commercially reasonable efforts to deploy the Equipment consistent with Customer's deployment priority subject to the following acknowledged risk factors: land and site acquisition, regulatory affairs, power purchase agreement (PPA), infrastructure equipment availability (medium voltage cables, containers, etc.), and long lead time equipment procurement (substation, transformer, etc.).

Invoice Detail:

Contact Name	William Horne
Email	will@bitnile.com
Phone	(206) 769-6000
Billing Street	11411 Southern Highlands Pkwy, Suite 240
Billing City/State/Zip/Country	Las Vegas, NV 89141

Compute North Pool:

At Customer's request, Compute North will enroll and configure Customer in Compute North's Bitcoin mining pool, which operates on a Full-Pay-Per-Share (FPPS) basis. Customer's use of Compute North's mining pool is subject to, and constitutes Customer's acceptance of, the then-current terms of service posted at <https://mining.luxor.tech/legal/tos>, as may be updated from time to time. Compute North shall be entitled to a fee equal to 2% of Customer's mining reward from its participation in Compute North's pool. Customer acknowledges and agrees that Compute North is providing Customer with access to its mining pool for Customer's convenience on an as-is basis and that Compute North does not make any warranties or guarantees, whether express or implied, regarding the availability or performance thereof.

Order Type:

☐ **For orders designated as "Renewal" or "Change Order":** This Order Form replaces all then-existing order forms under the applicable Agreement between Compute North and Customer for the identified Equipment, with all other order forms remaining in full force and effect. The Previous Orders and Equipment List attached and appended hereto identifies the Equipment that remains subject to a prior order form as of the date of this Order Form.

☒ **For orders designated as "New":** This Addendum is and shall be in addition to all then-existing order forms under the applicable Agreement between Compute North and Customer, which order forms shall remain in full force and effect. The Previous Orders and Equipment List attached and appended hereto identifies the Equipment that remains subject to a prior order form as of the date of this Order Form.

Compute North LLC

DocuSigned by:
By: Kyle Wenzel
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Name: Kyle Wenzel
Its: Chief Commercial Officer

Ault (BitNile)

DocuSigned by:
By: William B. Horne
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Name: William B. Horne
Its: CEO

**COMPUTENORTH****Previous Orders and Equipment List**

Batch #	Equipment Type	Quantity	Facility
001			



COMPUTENORTH

MASTER AGREEMENT

This Master Agreement (the “**Agreement**”), dated 8/15/2022, is between Compute North LLC (“**Compute North**”) and BitNile, Inc. (“**Customer**”). In consideration of the promises set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Services.** Compute North shall provide, and Customer shall pay for, the colocation, managed and other services (the “**Services**”) for Customer’s cryptocurrency mining hardware (the “**Mining Equipment**,” and collectively with any Capital Equipment and Acquired Hardware, the “**Equipment**”) identified on the order form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A, as may be updated or supplemented in writing and duly signed by Customer and Compute North from time to time (the “**Order Form**”). Compute North shall provide the Services consistent with, and as more fully described in, its customer handbook (the “**Customer Handbook**”), available at www.computenorth.com/handbook-sla.pdf and incorporated herein, as Compute North may update from time to time.
2. **Colocation Services.**
 - 2.1. Colocation Facility. Compute North will provide Services for Mining Equipment at a facility provided with electricity and network connectivity sited at the location specified the Order Form (the “**Facility**”) during the Equipment Term specified on the Order Form in accordance with the Customer Handbook.
 - 2.2. Acceptable Use Policy. Customer’s receipt of Services and its use of Mining Equipment pursuant to this Agreement is subject to Customer’s compliance with Compute North’s then-current Acceptable Use Policy, available at www.computenorth.com/acceptable-use-policy and incorporated herein, as Compute North may update from time to time.
 - 2.3. Customer Portal. Compute North will provide Customer with access to its customer portal. Customer’s access to and use of the customer portal is subject to, and Customer agrees to be bound by, Compute North’s Terms of Use, available at www.computenorth.com/terms-of-use/ and incorporated herein, as Compute North may update from time to time. All written notices required by Customer under this Agreement shall be submitted using the customer portal, and all written notices by Compute North may be made using the customer portal or by email to the address set forth on Customer’s most recent Order Form.
 - 2.4. Transfer of Mining Equipment. Customer shall promptly notify Compute North if it transfers legal title or grants to any third-party rights in or to any Equipment to a third party. All such transfers shall be subject to and shall preserve Compute North’s security interest under Section 6. In the event of a transfer, Customer shall remain obligated to pay Compute North the Monthly Service Fees for the transferred Mining Equipment for the remainder of the Equipment Term applicable to such Mining Equipment unless and until such Mining Equipment is placed into service under, and is subject to, a collocation agreement between the acquiring third party and Compute North, which shall require Compute North’s approval (including satisfaction of Compute North’s credit and know-your-customer requirements).
 - 2.5. Transfer of Services. Customer may not sublicense, assign, delegate or otherwise transfer its receipt of Services under this Agreement to a third party without Compute North’s written consent in its sole discretion. Compute North shall not under any circumstance be deemed to be providing any Services to any third party for or on behalf of Customer.
3. **Hardware Acquisition.** Compute North agrees to acquire and sell to Customer, and Customer agrees to buy from Compute North, such cryptocurrency mining hardware, if any, elected on the Order Form



("Acquired Hardware"). The initial deposit for the Acquired Hardware set forth on the Order Form (the "Hardware Deposit") shall be due and payable as of the date on which Compute North and Customer have both executed the Order Form, with the remaining balance owed for the Acquired Hardware due and payable by the earlier of (a) the date on which Compute North notifies Customer that the Acquired Hardware has been shipped or (b) as stated on the Order Form. Legal title to the Acquired Equipment only shall transfer to Customer when the fee for the Acquired Hardware has been paid to Compute North in full. The Acquired Hardware shall be Mining Equipment subject to this Agreement upon its delivery to the Facility. Customer solely shall be responsible for determining whether the Acquired Hardware is fit and suitable for its particular purposes. Customer acknowledges that no warranty, express or implied, is provided by Compute North for any Acquired Hardware and agrees that the only warranties associated therewith are the warranties, if any, offered or made by the manufacturers thereof.

4. **Term and Termination.**

- 4.1. Term of Agreement. This Agreement shall be effective as of the date on which it has been executed by Compute North and Customer (the "Effective Date") and, unless otherwise terminated, shall continue until all Equipment Terms for all Equipment under each Order Form have expired or terminated.
- 4.2. Equipment Term. The Equipment Term set forth on an Order Form for each piece of Equipment shall commence as of the date Compute North notifies Customer in writing that the Mining Equipment has been received and turned on by Compute North. Unless an Order Form provides otherwise, the Equipment Term shall renew for successive one (1) month periods unless one party notifies the other in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the conclusion of the then-current Equipment Term.
- 4.3. Mining Equipment Return. Upon Customer's written request, and provided that Customer has paid all amounts then due and owing under this Agreement, Compute North shall decommission and return the corresponding Mining Equipment to Customer upon the expiration or termination of the applicable Equipment Term as provided in Section 8.3.
- 4.4. Event of Default. An event of default (each, a "Default") shall exist if Customer: (a) fails to make any payment(s) due pursuant to this Agreement; (b) violates, or fails to perform or fulfill any covenant or provision of this Agreement, and such matter is not cured within ten (10) days after written notice from Compute North; or (c) enters into bankruptcy, dissolution, financial failure or insolvency.
- 4.5. Effect of Default. In the event of a Default by Customer, Compute North may terminate this Agreement or any Order Form on written notice to Customer and Customer shall pay immediately to Compute North (i) all amounts then owed under this Agreement (or the applicable Order Form(s)) plus, (ii) as liquidated damages, the Fees that would have been paid for the remainder of the applicable Equipment Term(s) if the Agreement or Order Form(s), as applicable, were not terminated. The Parties agree that the damages sustained by Compute North in connection with the termination of this Agreement may be difficult or impossible to determine, or that obtaining an adequate remedy would be unreasonably time consuming or expensive and otherwise inconvenient, and therefore agree that in the event of such termination, the liquidated damages are a reasonable approximation of the harm or loss, and not a penalty. If Customer fails to make any payments due under this Agreement (including, as applicable, the amounts specified in clauses (i) and (ii) above plus interest thereon, the "Default Amount"), in addition to any other rights and remedies it may have, Compute North shall have the right to (a) sell or retain possession of, (b) reconfigure for Compute North's use, or (c) remove and



store at Customer's expense, all or any portion of the Mining Equipment without any cost, obligation or liability of Compute North to Customer; provided, that the net proceeds received by Compute North in exercise of its remedies under clauses (a) and (b) may not exceed the aggregate Default Amount for this Agreement or Order Form(s), as applicable.

5. Fees and Payment.

- 5.1. **Initial Fees.** The one-time fee for setup, installation, and configuration of Mining Equipment (the "Initial Setup Fee") and the initial deposit specified in the applicable Order Form (the "Initial Deposit") and any Hardware Deposit shall be due and payable as of the date on which Compute North and Customer have both executed an Order Form. The Initial Setup Fee is non-refundable and non-transferrable under any circumstance. The Initial Deposit and Hardware Deposit are non-transferrable under any circumstance and are not refundable except as expressly set forth herein and only to the extent that all of Customer's obligations under this Agreement have been fully satisfied.
- 5.2. **Monthly Fees.** Customer shall pay to Compute North the Monthly Service Fees and Monthly Package Fees (collectively, the "Fees") as set forth on the Order Form. Compute North reserves the right to adjust fixed-rate Monthly Service Fees (but not performance-based Monthly Service Fees) based on the actual performance and efficiency of the Equipment, as reasonably determined by Compute North. Late payments of any Fees shall bear interest at the lesser of 1.5% per month or the maximum amount allowed under applicable law.
- 5.3. **Taxes.** All amounts payable by Customer under this Agreement are exclusive of, and Customer shall solely be responsible for paying, all taxes, duties, and fees, including federal, state, and local taxes on manufacture, sales, gross income, receipts, occupation, and use, not based on Compute North's income that arise out of this Agreement. If any deduction, withholding, or payment for taxes is required in any jurisdiction on amounts payable to Compute North, Customer shall indemnify and make Compute North whole for the full amount thereof.
- 5.4. **Payment Method.** Unless otherwise agreed in writing, all payments due and owing under this Agreement shall be made through automated clearing house ("ACH") transfers by Compute North from an account established by Customer at a United States bank designated by Customer (the "Payment Account"). Customer agrees to execute and deliver to Compute North or its ACH payment agent an authorization agreement authorizing Compute North to initiate ACH transfers from the Payment Account to Compute North in the amounts required or permitted under this Agreement. Customer shall be responsible for all costs, expenses or other fees and charges incurred by Compute North as a result of any failed or returned ACH transfers, whether resulting from insufficient sums being available in the Payment Account or otherwise.

6. **Security Interest.** Customer hereby grants and assigns to Compute North a continuing first-position security interest in, and lien on, the Equipment (including Equipment acquired after the Effective Date), and all proceeds resulting therefrom or the liquidation thereof, in each case wherever located and whether now existing or hereafter coming into existence, as collateral security for Customer's performance of its obligations under this Agreement when due. Compute North may, as it deems appropriate, file UCC-1 financing statements to evidence this security interest and Customer agrees to cooperate fully with Compute North to obtain and perfect this security interest as may be reasonably required.



7. Network and Access.

- 7.1. Network. Compute North will provide a minimum of 100 mbps of local network connectivity for all Mining Equipment on a single Ethernet segment. Customer may request VPN access its Mining Equipment. Customer is solely responsible for preventing unauthorized network access to the Mining Equipment. Customer authorizes Compute North to monitor Customer's network usage and traffic and to access, collect and use data relating to the Mining Equipment and Customer's use thereof in the course of providing Services.
- 7.2. Access. Only persons specifically authorized by Compute North in writing may access the Facility. Compute North may deny or suspend Customer's access to the Equipment based on Compute North's then-current Security Policies and Procedures. Without limiting the foregoing, all access into the Facility must be supervised by a Compute North representative; Customer shall provide two (2) day' written notice to Compute North prior to any maintenance or repair of the Equipment; Customer shall perform Equipment maintenance and repairs during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 7 am to 6 pm Central Time); and, Customer may request immediate or after-hour access to the Facility to perform emergency maintenance. Customer shall be solely responsible for any damage or loss caused by anyone acting for or on its behalf while at the Facility.
- 7.3. Third-Party Management. Customer shall notify Compute North if it engages a third party to provide services on its behalf with respect to the Equipment. Customer shall be fully responsible for all acts or omissions by any third-party service provider acting for or on its behalf.
- 7.4. Hazardous Conditions. If any hazardous conditions arise on, from, or affecting the Facility, whether caused by Customer or a third party, Compute North may suspend Services under this Agreement without liability until the hazardous conditions have been resolved.
- 7.5. Demand Response, Load Resource and Curtailment Programs. Customer acknowledges and understands that Compute North participates in various demand response/, load resource, curtailment, or other, similar programs ("LRP Programs") at its facilities. Customer understands and agrees that Compute North's participation in LRP Programs provides the applicable electric grid operator and Compute North, in response to requests from the applicable grid operator, with the capability to shut off the power serving Compute North customers in response to certain electric system or energy market situations. Customer agrees that the Fees reflect Compute North's participation in the LRP Programs and that Compute North shall have no liability to Customer for any actions or omissions due to or resulting from its participation in the LRP Programs.

8. Removals and Relocation of Mining Equipment.

- 8.1. Relocation. Compute North may relocate Mining Equipment within the Facility or to another Compute North facility upon twenty (20) days' prior written notice to Customer at Compute North's expense.
- 8.2. Emergency. In the event of an emergency, Compute North may rearrange, remove, or relocate Mining Equipment at Customer's expenses and without any liability to Compute North. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of emergency, Compute North shall provide Customer, to the extent practicable, reasonable notice prior to rearranging, removing, or relocating Mining Equipment.



- 8.3. Mining Equipment Return. Provided that Customer has paid all amounts then due and owing under this Agreement, including costs due with respect to this Section 8.3, Compute North shall decommission and make the Mining Equipment available to Customer for pickup at, or shipment from, the Facility within thirty (30) business days of Customer's written request. Customer shall be responsible for all deinstallation, packing, storage, transportation, delivery, and other costs associated with removing and returning its Mining Equipment, including as set forth in the Customer Handbook. Compute North will notify Customer when its Mining Equipment is ready for pickup, and Customer shall arrange for pickup and removal of the Mining Equipment at its sole risk and expense. If Customer does not remove the Mining Equipment as provided herein, Compute North may charge Customer for storage from the date of notice that the Mining Equipment is ready for pickup. Any Mining Equipment that is not picked up and removed within thirty (30) days of such notice shall be deemed abandoned and legal title to such Mining Equipment shall transfer to Compute North.

9. Customer Responsibilities.

- 9.1. Licenses and Permits. Customer is responsible for obtaining any licenses, permits, consents, and approvals from any federal, state, or local government that may be necessary to install, possess, own, or operate the Equipment. Unless specifically set forth on the applicable Order Form, Customer is solely responsible for all requirements for renewable energy certificates, allowances, or other carbon offsets required by or otherwise necessary for Customer's compliance with any federal, state, local or other applicable Law. As used herein, "Law" means any law, statute, rule, protocol, procedure, exchange rule, tariff, decision, requirement, writ, order, decree or judgment adopted by or any interpretation thereof by any court, government agency, regulatory body, instrumentality or other entity, including an electric utility, retail electric provider, regional transmission organization or independent system operator.
- 9.2. Insurance. Customer acknowledges that Compute North is not an insurer and Equipment is not covered by any insurance policy held by Compute North. Customer is solely responsible for obtaining insurance coverage for the Equipment. Customer shall have and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement commercial general liability insurance for both bodily injury and property damage.
- 9.3. Equipment in Good Working Order. Customer shall be responsible for delivering all Equipment that is not Acquired Hardware to the Facility and such Equipment shall be in good working order and suitable for use in the Facility. Customer is responsible for all risk of loss or damage to the prior to Compute North receiving the Equipment at the Facility, regardless of whether such Equipment is delivered by the Customer or Acquired Hardware. Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the troubleshooting and repair of Equipment received in non-working order, including parts and labor at Compute North's then-current rates. Compute North is not responsible in any way for installation delays or losses as a result of Equipment not in good working order upon arrival at Facility.
- 9.4. Modification or Overclocking of Mining Equipment. Customer shall notify and obtain prior written approval from Compute North before any material modifications, alternations, firmware adjustments, over-clocking or other changes are made to Mining Equipment ("Modified Equipment") that are intended to or might cause the Equipment's performance to deviate from the standard or factory specifications. If Equipment subject to fixed-rate Monthly Service Fees has been materially altered or modified without Compute North's prior written approval ("Non-Compliant Equipment"), it shall be an event of Default and Customer shall



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owe an additional Non-Compliant Equipment fee equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the monthly Fees for such Equipment for each month Equipment was non-compliant.

10. Representations, Warranties, and Disclaimer.

- 10.1. Mutual. Customer and Computer North each represents and warrants that: it is properly constituted and organized; it is duly authorized to enter into and perform this Agreement; and, its execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement will not violate the terms of any other agreement to which it is a party or obligation by which it is bound.
- 10.2. By Customer. Customer represents and warrants that it owns and has good title to, and covenants that it shall continue to own and have good title to, the Equipment free and clear of any mortgage, pledge, lien, charge, security interest, claim or other encumbrance, other than the security interest granted hereunder in favor of Compute North. Customer further represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to Customer's knowledge, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate, or person acting on behalf of Customer or its subsidiaries: has violated or will violate any applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption Law, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act; has violated or will violate any applicable money laundering Laws; or is or will become subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Asset Control of the U.S. Treasury Department.
- 10.3. By Compute North. Compute North represents and warrants that it will provide the Services at the Facility in a professional and workmanlike manner consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Except as expressly set forth herein, COMPUTE NORTH MAKES NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES RELATED TO THE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES OR THE OPERATING TEMPERATURE OF THE FACILITY. THE SERVICES, FACILITY AND ANY ACQUIRED HARDWARE AND CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ARE PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE" BASIS. COMPUTE NORTH DOES NOT PROVIDE MECHANICAL COOLING OR BACKUP POWER AND THE FACILITY IS SUBJECT TO SWINGS IN LOCAL TEMPERATURE, WIND, HUMIDITY AND OTHER SUCH CONDITIONS. COMPUTE NORTH MAKES NO WARRANTY, AND HEREBY DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, WITH RESPECT TO GOODS AND SERVICES SUBJECT TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING ANY (A) WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY; (B) WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE; (C) WARRANTY OF NONINFRINGEMENT AND (D) WARRANTY AGAINST INTERFERENCE. COMPUTE NORTH DOES NOT WARRANT THAT (A) THE SERVICE WILL BE FREE FROM INTERRUPTION OR ERROR; (B) THE SERVICE, CAPITAL EQUIPMENT OR ACQUIRED HARDWARE WILL MEET CUSTOMER'S REQUIREMENTS OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN; OR (C) THE SERVICE, CAPITAL EQUIPMENT OR ACQUIRED HARDWARE WILL PROVIDE ANY FUNCTION NOT EXPRESSLY DESIGNATED AND SET FORTH HEREIN.

11. Limitation of Liability.

- 11.1. Customer understands and acknowledges that, in certain situations, Services and Equipment functionality may be unavailable due to factors outside of Compute North's control, including force majeure, weather, network failures, pool operator failures, denial of service attacks, network and power grid outages, cyberattacks, including hacking or malicious attacks on networks or exchanges, or Acts of God ("External Factors"). Customer further acknowledges that cryptocurrency price movements, difficulty, and legal and regulatory risks ("External Risks") could have a material adverse impact on the value of cryptocurrencies, cryptocurrency



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mining, the Equipment, and the Services. Customer assumes responsibility for all such External Factors and External Risks, and Compute North hereby disclaims all liability for any losses that may arise as a result thereof.

- 11.2. COMPUTE NORTH SHALL HAVE NO OBLIGATION, RESPONSIBILITY, OR LIABILITY FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: (A) ANY INTERRUPTION OR DEFECTS IN THE EQUIPMENT FUNCTIONALITY CAUSED BY FACTORS OUTSIDE OF COMPUTE NORTH'S REASONABLE CONTROL; (B) ANY LOSS, DELETION, OR CORRUPTION OF CUSTOMER'S DATA OR FILES; (C) ANY LOST REVENUE OR PROFITS TO CUSTOMER DURING NETWORK OR POWER OUTAGES OR CURTAILMENT, EQUIPMENT FAILURES, OR OTHER FACTORS OUTSIDE OF COMPUTE NORTH'S DIRECT CONTROL; (D) DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ANY ACTIONS OR INACTIONS OF CUSTOMER OR ANY THIRD PARTY NOT UNDER COMPUTE NORTH'S CONTROL; OR (E) DAMAGES RESULTING FROM EQUIPMENT OR ANY THIRD-PARTY EQUIPMENT.
- 11.3. IN NO EVENT SHALL COMPUTE NORTH BE LIABLE TO CUSTOMER OR ANY OTHER PERSON, FIRM, OR ENTITY IN ANY RESPECT, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, RELIANCE, EXEMPLARY, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, INCLUDING LOSS OF PROFITS, LOSS OF REVENUE, LOSS OF BUSINESS, OR COST OF COVER OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY THEREOF. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS AGREEMENT, COMPUTE NORTH'S TOTAL CUMULATIVE LIABILITY UNDER OR RELATING TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER UNDER CONTRACT LAW, TORT LAW, WARRANTY, OR OTHERWISE (INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES), SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT DAMAGES NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNTS ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY COMPUTE NORTH FROM CUSTOMER FOR THE SERVICE MONTH DURING WHICH THE EVENT GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM OCCURRED.
- 11.4. Remedy. Customer's sole remedy for Compute North's non-performance of its obligations under this Agreement shall be a refund of any fees paid to Compute North for the service month during which the nonperformance occurred. Any action against Compute North in connection with this Agreement must be commenced within one (1) year after the cause of the action has accrued.
- 11.5. Insurance loss. Customer agrees to look exclusively to Customer's insurer to recover for injury or damage in the event of any covered loss or injury, and releases and waives all right of recovery against Compute North for any covered loss or injury.
12. **Indemnification**. Customer shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend Compute North, the Facility Owner, and their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, employees, agents, directors, owners, executives, representatives, Lenders and subcontractors from all third-party liability, claim, judgment, loss, cost, expense or damage, including attorneys' fees and legal expenses, arising out of or relating to the Equipment or Customer's use thereof, or any injuries or damages sustained by any person or property due to any direct or indirect act, omission, negligence or misconduct of Customer, its agents, representatives, employees, contractors and their employees and subcontractors and their employees, including due to a breach of this Agreement by Customer. Customer shall not enter into any settlement or resolution with a third party under this section without Compute North's written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.



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13. Miscellaneous.

- 13.1. Lease Agreement. Compute North may lease certain premises in the Facility from the Facility's owner ("Facility Owner") pursuant to a lease agreement. Customer is not a party to or a beneficiary under such lease, if any, and has no rights thereunder; however, Customer shall be required to adhere to all rules of operation established therein. Whether owned or leased by Compute North, Customer acknowledges and agrees that it does not have, has not been granted, and will not own or hold any real property interest in the Facility, that it is a licensee and not a tenant, and that it does not have any of the rights, privileges, or remedies that a tenant or lessee would have under a real property lease or occupancy agreement.
- 13.2. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including the Order Form and any documents referenced herein, constitutes the parties' entire understanding regarding its subject and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous communications, agreements and understanding, including any prior master or colocation agreement, between them relating thereto. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement and an Order Form, the specific terms and conditions of the Order Form shall take precedence. Customer acknowledges and agrees that it has not, and will not, rely upon any representations, understandings, or other agreements not specifically set forth in this Agreement. This Agreement shall not be superseded, terminated, modified, or amended except by express written agreement of the parties that specifically identifies this Agreement.
- 13.3. Waiver, Severability. The waiver of any breach or default does not constitute the waiver of any subsequent breach or default. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed amended to conform to the applicable Law, or, if it cannot be so amended without materially altering the intention of the parties, it shall be stricken and the remainder of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.
- 13.4. Assignment. Except as part of or in connection with a Change of Control or a reorganization solely among Customer and its Affiliates, Customer shall not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights, or delegate or otherwise transfer any of its obligations or performance under this Agreement, in each case whether voluntarily, involuntarily, by operation of law, or otherwise, without Compute North's written consent. "Change of Control" means (i) a sale by Customer of all or substantially all of its assets that are the subject of this Agreement to an unaffiliated person or entity, (ii) a merger, reorganization, conversion or other transaction in which more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting control of Customer is held by persons or entities who did not hold voting control of such party, whether directly or indirectly, immediately prior to such transaction (excluding any reorganization solely among Customer and any entities that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Customer (each, an "Affiliate"), or (iii) a sale by the equity holders of Customer that results in more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting control of such party being held by persons or entities who did not hold voting control of Customer, whether directly or indirectly, immediately prior to such sale (excluding any reorganization solely among Customer and its Affiliates). Customer shall notify Compute North in writing within ten (10) days of any assignment or transfer under this Section 13.4. Compute North may at any time assign, transfer, delegate, or subcontract any or all of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without Customer's written consent. Subject to the restrictions on assignment of this Agreement, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their legal representatives, successors, and assigns. Customer and Compute North acknowledge and agree that in the event Compute North enters into a partial assignment or other document evidencing a partial transfer of the obligations under this Agreement, (i) this Agreement and the applicable Order Forms shall apply as to the assignee to the extent assigned, (ii) the obligations of Compute North and such assignee shall be several, and not joint or collective obligations and there shall be no cross-default, cross-



termination or other common performance or liability provisions as between the obligations under this Agreement and any Order Form(s) that are assigned and those obligations under this Agreement and any Order Form(s) that remain with Compute North.

- 13.5. Force Majeure. Neither party shall be liable in any way for delay, failure in performance, loss or damage due to any of the following force majeure conditions: fire, strike, embargo, explosion, power failure, flood, lightning, war, water, electrical storms, labor disputes, civil disturbances, governmental requirements, acts of civil or military authority, acts of God, acts of public enemies, inability to secure replacement parts or materials, transportation facilities, or other causes beyond its reasonable control, whether or not similar to the foregoing. This also includes planned service and maintenance needs. Under no circumstances shall the following constitute a force majeure: (i) a Party's inability to finance its obligations or the unavailability of funds to pay amounts when due in the currency of payment, (ii) changes in either Party's market factors, default of payment obligations or other commercial, financial or economic conditions, including failure or loss of any cryptocurrency markets, (iii) the ability of Customer to obtain better economic terms for the Services or similar services or (iv) Customer's failure to timely apply for any licenses, permits, consents, or approvals. No force majeure shall relieve, suspend, or otherwise cause either Party from performing any obligation to indemnify, reimburse, hold harmless or otherwise pay the other Party under this Agreement, including Customer's obligation to pay any Fees. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, Force Majeure includes an increase of ten percent (10%) or more in Compute North's variable operating costs.
- 13.6. Compliance with Laws. Customer's use of the Facility and the Equipment located at the Facility shall conform to all applicable Law, including international Law, the Law of the jurisdictions in which Customer is doing business and where the Facility is located. In the event that there is a new or a change in Law that causes Compute North to directly or indirectly incur new or additional costs in connection with the Services or the Facility, Compute North may pass through such costs to Customer without markup, terminate this Agreement or any Order Form, or modify the Services as necessary to account for such costs. Customer shall timely cooperate in any audit or review of Customer's compliance with the terms hereof conducted by or on behalf of Compute North, responding accurately and completely to all inquiries, and providing any requested documents.
- 13.7. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York, excluding any conflicts of law rule or principle which might refer such construction to the laws of another state or country. Any dispute, claim, counterclaim or controversy of any kind arising under or relating to this Agreement is and shall continue to be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New York or of the federal courts sitting in the State of New York, and the parties submit to the jurisdiction of such courts in respect of any such action or proceeding brought in such courts. The parties waive, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, any objection that they may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in such courts and any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES AND, THEREFORE, EACH SUCH PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LEGAL ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.



- 13.8. Relationship of the Parties. The parties agree that their relationship hereunder is in the nature of independent contractors. Neither party shall be deemed to be the agent, partner, joint venturer or employee of the other, and neither shall have any authority to make any agreements or representations on the other's behalf. Each party shall be solely responsible for the payment of compensation, insurance and taxes of its own personnel, and such personnel are not entitled to the provisions of any employee benefits from the other party. Neither party shall have any authority to make any agreements or representations on the other's behalf without the other's written consent. Additionally, Compute North shall not be responsible for any costs and expenses arising from Customer's performance of its duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.
- 13.9. Third-Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement is intended, nor shall anything herein be construed to confer any rights, legal or equitable, in any person or entity other than the parties hereto, the Facility Owner, the Lenders and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 13.10. Publicity. Neither party may use the name, trademark, logo, acronym, or other designation of the other party in connection with any press release, advertising, publicity materials or otherwise without the prior written consent of the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Customer agrees that Compute North may publicly identify Customer, both orally and in writing, as a customer of Compute North.
- 13.11. Construction; Interpretation. Unless the context otherwise requires, words in the singular include the plural, and in the plural include the singular; masculine words include the feminine and neuter; "or" means "either or both" and shall not be construed as exclusive; "including" means "including but not limited to"; "hereof," "hereby," "herein," "hereunder" and similar terms in this Agreement refer to this Agreement as a whole and not any particular section in which such words appear, unless otherwise specified; "any" and "all" each means "any and all" and shall not be construed as terms of limitation; and, a reference to a thing (including any right or intangible asset) includes any part or the whole thereof. Any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply to the interpretation and construction of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be construed as having been jointly drafted by the parties. The titles and headings for particular paragraphs, sections and subsections of this Agreement have been inserted solely for reference purposes and shall not be used to interpret or construe the terms of this Agreement. Compute North's rights and remedies hereunder are cumulative and in addition to any other rights or remedies it may have at law or in equity.
- 13.12. Survival. Notwithstanding any provisions herein to the contrary, the obligations set forth in Sections 4.3, 4.5, 5.3, 5.4, 6, 8.3, 11, 12, and 13 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.
- 13.13. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but which together shall constitute one and the same document. The parties may sign and transmit an electronic signature of this Agreement (whether by facsimile, pdf, email, or other electronic means), which signature shall be binding on the party whose name is contained therein.
- 13.14. Financing Accommodation. Upon the receipt of a written request from Compute North, Customer shall execute, or arrange for the delivery of, such estoppels and other documents, in each case, as may be (A) reasonably necessary in order for Compute North or its affiliates to consummate the financing, (B) customarily provided in connection with financing of a similar nature and (C) reasonably acceptable to Customer. Without limitation of the

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foregoing, Compute North may notify Customer of one or more of its or its affiliate's lenders or financing parties that are financing the Facility (the "Lenders"), and following such notice, Customer shall provide written notice of any default or breach by Compute North to such Lenders, and such Lenders or their designee shall have the right, but not the obligation, to perform any act required to be performed by Compute North under the Agreement to prevent or cure a default or breach as if done by Compute North.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement in a manner appropriate to each and with the authority to do so as of the date set forth below.

Compute North LLC

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By: Kyle Wenzel
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Name: Kyle wenzel
Its: Chief Commercial Officer

Customer

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By: William B. Horne
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Name: William B. Horne
Its: CEO

Exhibit B

Initial Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas

Name of Debtor: Compute North LLC**Case Number:** 22-90275**For Court Use Only**

Claim Number: 0000010060

File Date: 11/16/2022 15:43:27

Proof of Claim (Official Form 410)

Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. With the exception of 503(b)(9), do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense. Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. Do not send original documents; they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

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Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed. That date is on the notice of bankruptcy (Form 309) that you received.

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Part 1: Identify the Claim**1. Who is the current creditor?**

Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim): BitNile, Inc.

Other names the creditor used with the debtor: _____

2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else?☒ No☐ Yes.

From whom? _____

3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent? Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)**Where should notices to the creditor be sent?**

Name BitNile, Inc.

Address 11411 Southern Highlands Pkwy, Suite 240

City Las Vegas

State NV ZIP Code 89141

Country (if International): _____

Phone: 714-887-6377

Email: darren@bitnile.com

Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP Code _____

Country (if International): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

4. Does this claim amend one already filed?☒ No☐ Yes.

Claim number on court claims register (if known) _____

Filed on _____
MM / DD / YYYY**5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?**☒ No☐ Yes.Who made the earlier filing?

Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed**6. Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor?**☒ No☐ Yes.

Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor:

____ _

7. How much is the claim?

2,124,493.00

\$ _____

Does this amount include interest or other charges?☒ No☐ Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).**8. What is the basis of the claim?**

Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information.

Contract/Executory Contract
_____**9. Is all or part of the claim secured?**☒ No☐ Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property.**Nature of property:**☐ Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a *Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment* (official Form 410-A) with this *Proof of Claim*.☐ Motor vehicle☐ Other. Describe: _____**Basis for perfection:**

Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.)

Value of property: \$ _____**Amount of the claim that is secured:** \$ _____**Amount of the claim that is unsecured:** \$ _____

(The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.)

Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: \$ _____**Annual Interest Rate** (when case was filed) _____%☐ Fixed ☐ Variable**10. Is this claim based on a lease?**☒ No☐ Yes. Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of petition.

\$ _____

11. Is this claim subject to a right of setoff?☒ No☐ Yes. Identify the property: _____**12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?**☒ No☐ Yes. Check one:☐ Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B).☐ Up to \$3,350* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7).☐ Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$15,150*) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4).☐ Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8).☐ Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5).☐ Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a) (_____) that applies.

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A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example, in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.

Amount entitled to priority

\$ _____

\$ _____

\$ _____

\$ _____

\$ _____

\$ _____

13. Does this claim qualify as an Administrative Expense under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9)?☒ No☐ Yes. Amount that qualifies as an Administrative Expense under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9): \$ _____

The person completing this proof of claim must sign and date it. FRBP 9011(b).

If you file this claim electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what a signature is.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Check the appropriate box:

- ☒ I am the creditor.
- ☐ I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.
- ☐ I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.
- ☐ I am a guarantor, surety, endorser, or other co-debtor. Bankruptcy Rule 3005.

I understand that an authorized signature on this *Proof of Claim* serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.

I have examined the information in this *Proof of Claim* and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Darren Magot 11/16/2022 15:43:27
Signature Date

Provide the name and contact information of the person completing and signing this claim:

Name Darren Magot

Address 11411 Southern Highlands Pkwy, Suite 240

City Las Vegas

State NV Zip 89141

Country (in international) USA

Phone 714-887-6377

Email darren@bitnile.com

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

In re:	Chapter 11
COMPUTE NORTH HOLDINGS, INC., <i>et al.</i> ,	Case No. 22-90273 (MI)
Debtors. ¹	(Jointly Administered)

**OBJECTION, STATEMENT OF CURE AMOUNT,
AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS OF BITNILE INC. REGARDING
THE SALE ORDER AND THE DEBTORS' NOTICE OF CURE SCHEDULE**

BitNile, Inc. ("BitNile"), a creditor and contract counterparty of the above-captioned debtors, hereby submits its Objection, Statement of Cure Amount, and Reservation of Rights (this "Objection") regarding the (a) *Order (I) Approving the Sale of Debtor CN Pledgor LLC's Equity Interests in CN Borrower LLC Free and Clear of all Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances, (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts in Connection Therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief*, dated November 1, 2022 [Docket. No. 362] (the "Sale Order") and (b) *Notice of Filing of Cure Schedule in Connection with Proposed Sale* [Docket No. 209] and supplements/amendments thereto (collectively, the "Assumption Notice"), and respectfully states as follows:

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Compute North Holdings, Inc. (4534); Compute North LLC (7185); CN Corpus Christi LLC (5551); CN Atoka LLC (4384); CN Big Spring LLC (4397); CN Colorado Bend LLC (4610); CN Developments LLC (2570); CN Equipment LLC (6885); CN King Mountain LLC (7190); CN Minden LLC (3722); CN Mining LLC (5223); CN Pledgor LLC (9871); Compute North Member LLC (8639); Compute North NC08 LLC (8069); Compute North NY09 LLC (5453); Compute North SD, LLC (1501); Compute North Texas LLC (1883); Compute North TX06 LLC (5921); and Compute North TX10 LLC (4238). The Debtors' service address for the purposes of these chapter 11 cases is 7575 Corporate Way, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344.

Background

1. BitNile is a leading cryptocurrency miner. BitNile and debtor Compute North LLC (“Compute North”) are parties to that certain Master Agreement, dated August 15, 2022 (the “Master Agreement”), pursuant to which Compute North was to provide colocation and other services for BitNile’s cryptocurrency mining hardware (the “Mining Equipment”). BitNile’s Mining Equipment—with a value in excess of \$40 million—is its own property and is not property of the estate: the Debtors may neither use, sell nor lease the Mining Equipment under section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise.

2. Upon entry into the Master Agreement, BitNile and Compute North executed an Order Form (the “Order Form”) pursuant to which (a) BitNile delivered approximately 6,572 miners to Compute North, to be located in the Wolf Hollow Facility in Granbury, Texas (the “Wolf Hollow Facility”), which facility is owned by non-debtor CN Borrower, LLC (“CN Borrower”) and (b) Compute North was to install those miners and provide, among other things, electricity and network connectivity necessary to operate those miners.

3. On August 22, 2022, BitNile paid an initial deposit in the amount of \$2,012,088.00 (the “Deposit”) to Compute North. At the time the Deposit was made, BitNile was assured that its Mining Equipment would be ready for use and energized. As stated below, however, the Debtors made material misrepresentations to BitNile about their financial condition and their abilities to operate and energize the facility.

4. According to the *Declaration of Harold Coulby, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Debtors, In Support of the Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Pleadings* (the “Coulby Declaration”) [Docket No 22], and unbeknownst to BitNile, just three days prior to execution of the Master Agreement (that is, August 12, 2022), the Debtors’ lender and purchaser herein, Generate Lending LLC (“Generate”), exercised a voting proxy and appointed its own

managers to form a new board and take control of CN Borrower and the Wolf Hollow Facility and also exercised its rights under a deposit account control agreement and restricted use of a bank account containing \$23.6 million. *Coulby Declaration* ¶¶ 60–62. None of this was disclosed to BitNile by the Debtors.

5. BitNile believes it was defrauded in connection with the execution of the Master Agreement and the inducement to make the Deposit. Indeed, just weeks after the Deposit was made, this chapter 11 case was commenced and BitNile was never able to energize the Mining Equipment located at the Wolf Hollow Facility. Further, it appears as if the Deposit is currently unaccounted for by the Debtors, and BitNile has yet to be advised where the Deposit is being held or whether it has been appropriately reserved for its designated purpose.

6. To date, Compute North has failed to perform its obligations under the Master Agreement and the Order Form. The Mining Equipment has not been energized or “powered on” notwithstanding assurances from Compute North to the contrary. As a result, BitNile has suffered, and continues to suffer, mounting daily damages due to its inability to utilize its Mining Equipment at the Wolf Hollow Facility.

7. On September 22, 2022, the Debtors, including Compute North, each filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”) in this Court.

A. The Expedited Sale Process

8. The sale process in this case has occurred in an expedited fashion.

9. On October 24, 2022, the Court entered its *Order (A) Approving De Minimis Asset Sale Procedures; (B) Approving Certain Bidding Procedures, Assumption, Assignment, and Rejection Procedures, and the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into Asset Purchase Agreements with Stalking Horse Bidders; and (D) Scheduling a*

Hearing on the Approval of the Sale of the Debtors' Remaining Assets Free and Clear of all Encumbrances as well as the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases [Docket No. 256] (the "Sale Procedures Order").

10. Under the Sale Procedures Order, bids were due three days later, on October 27, 2022, and an auction was to occur four days later, on October 28, 2022. No bids were received other than from Generate, and the Sale Order was entered on November 1, 2022.

11. The Sale Procedures Order also approved certain assumption and assignment procedures with respect to those executory contracts and unexpired leases that the Debtors proposed to assume and assign.

B. BitNile Receives No Notice

12. BitNile did not receive any of the pleadings relating to the sale, the possible assignment of its Master Agreement, or a copy of the Assumption Notice (as defined in the Sale Procedures Order).

13. Based on documents provided to BitNile's counsel on November 1, 2022, but only after inquiry was made, it appears that BitNile never received notice because the Debtors were using an incorrect address. This despite the fact that BitNile's address is set forth in the Master Agreement.

14. Moreover, BitNile's name was curiously redacted from Court filings, and was thus not searchable on the Court's docket or the claims agent's website.

15. Upon receipt of the Assumption Notice on November 1, 2022, BitNile observed that the Master Agreement was listed as an executory contract that might be assumed and assigned. The Debtors have incorrectly listed "\$0.00" as the Cure Amount for the Master Agreement.

Objection and Statement of Lease Cure Amount

16. Where there has been a default in an executory contract, a debtor may not assume the contract unless, at the time of assumption of such contract, the debtor:

- (A) cures, or provides adequate assurance that the debtor will promptly cure, such default;
- (B) compensates, or provides adequate assurance that the debtor will promptly compensate, a party other than the debtor to such contract or lease, for any actual pecuniary loss to such party resulting from such default; and
- (C) provides adequate assurance of future performance under such contract.

See 11 U.S.C. § 365(b)(1).

17. Assumption of the Master Agreement requires compliance with all contract terms, and amounts determined to be owed under such assumed contracts are not discharged. *See Century Indem. Co. v. Nat'l Gypsum Co. Settlement Tr. (In re Nat'l Gypsum Co.)*, 208 F.3d 498 (5th Cir. 2000). “If [a] debtor has defaulted under the contract . . . the debtor may not assume the contract unless the debtor, *inter alia*, cures the default or provides adequate assurance that it will do so.” *Quantum Diversified Holdings, Inc. v. Wienheimer (In re Escarent Entities, L.P.)*, 423 F. App’x 462, 465 (5th Cir. 2011).

18. The obligation to cure under section 365 extends to monetary and non-monetary defaults alike. To cure a *monetary* default under section 365, a debtor must pay all amounts due under the contract. *See In re Nat'l Gypsum Co.*, 208 F.3d at 506. To determine the appropriate means of curing a *non-monetary* default, courts examine the provisions of the contract to define “the nature of a default and the cure it requires.” *Empire Equities Capital Corp.*, 405 B.R. 687, 691 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2009) (citing *In re Shangra-La, Inc.*, 167 F.3d 843, 848–49 (4th Cir. 1999)); *see Quantum Diversified Holdings, Inc. v. Wienheimer (In re Escarent Entities, L.P.)*, 423 F. App’x 462, 465–66 (5th Cir. 2011).

19. Here, pursuant to the Master Agreement and Order Form, Compute North was to provide colocation services, energy for the Mining Equipment and other services in exchange for BitNile's payment of the Deposit and the monthly fees set forth in the Master Agreement. However, Compute North has failed to energize BitNile's Mining Equipment at the Wolf Hollow Facility and is, therefore, in default under the Master Agreement.

20. As a result of Compute North's default, BitNile has been denied the use of its Mining Equipment, and has been unable to deploy and monetize the Mining Equipment in the ordinary course of its business. BitNile has thus lost and is continuing to lose/will continue to lose revenue due to Compute North's failure to perform its obligations under the Master Agreement and Order Form.

21. Therefore, any cure amount associated with the assumption of the Master Agreement must include the pecuniary loss suffered by BitNile through the date of assumption. Anything less fails to ensure that upon assumption of the Master Agreement, BitNile will have received the full benefit of its bargain. *See In re Ionosphere Clubs, Inc.*, 85 F.3d 992, 999 (2d Cir. 1996) (quoting *In re Superior Toy & Mfg. Co.*, 78 F.3d 1169, 1174 (7th Cir. 1996)).

A. Cure Amount

22. The below chart summarizes the Deposit and cure amount due and owing to BitNile:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Deposit Paid	\$2,012,088.00	
Lost Revenue	\$660,000.00	From October 1st through November 3, 2022 (per diem rate of \$20,000 continuing through and including the date of cure payment; losses fluctuate based on price of Bitcoin and similar factors)
Storage Fees	\$22,481.70	
Shipping Costs	\$90,405.00	
Total	2,784,974.70	

B. Protection of the Deposit and Setoff and Recoupment Rights

23. In the event that Compute North assumes and assigns the Master Agreement to Generate, not only must the cure amount be paid, but the Deposit that BitNile paid must be honored and preserved by Generate and applied against future monthly fees consistent with the terms of the Master Agreement. *See Bennu Oil & Gas, LLC v. Bluewater Indus., L.P. (In re ATP Oil & Gas Corp.)*, 517 B.R. 756, 759 (Bankr. S.D. Tex. 2014) (finding that a “debtor may not pick and choose those portions that it wishes” to assume or reject). Likewise, upon assumption and assignment, BitNile is entitled to its continued legal rights of setoff or recoupment for its Deposit and other items under the Master Agreement. *See* 11 U.S.C. § 553; *see also Enron Corp. v. Springfield Assocs., L.L.C. (In re Enron Corp.)*, 379 B.R. 425, 435 n. 55 (S.D.N.Y. 2007) (“[I]t is a fundamental rule of the law of contract that the assignee stands in the shoes of the assignor, possessing the same rights and remaining subject to the same defenses as the assignor.”).

C. No Adequate Assurance of Future Performance

24. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365(b), the Debtors and Generate must establish and provide adequate assurance of Generate’s ability to not only pay the above cure amount but also to perform in the future. In determining whether there is adequate assurance of future performance, courts must look to “factual conditions, including consideration of whether the debtor’s financial data indicated its ability to generate an income stream sufficient to meet its obligations, the general economic outlook in the debtor’s industry, and the presence of a guarantee.” *Lifemark Hospitals, Inc. v. Liljeberg Enters., Inc. (In re Liljeberg Enters., Inc.)*, 304 F.3d 410, 439-439 (5th Cir. 2002).

25. Among other things, the Master Agreement requires Generate to perform the Master Agreement’s most basic terms, which include but are not limited to:

- (i) provide Services for Mining Equipment at a facility with electricity and network connectivity (Master Agreement at 2.1)(emphasis added);
- (ii) provide BitNile with access to its customer portal (Master Agreement at 2.2); and
- (iii) provide a minimum of 100 mbps of local connectivity for all Mining Equipment on a single Ethernet segment. (Master Agreement at 7.1).

26. To date, BitNile has not received any information or assurances, let alone assurances that are “adequate,” evidencing (a) Generate’s ability to operate the business and “energize” BitNile’s 6,572 machines at the Wolf Hollow Facility, (b) Generate’s ability to perform under the Master Agreement or the Order Form, or (c) sufficient financial wherewithal regarding the operation of the business and making required future payments. Sufficient time will be needed to review such information once received.

Reservation of Rights

27. BitNile hereby reserves all rights under the Master Agreement, the Order Form, and applicable law, including the right of set off or recoupment as against any assignee. BitNile expressly reserves all rights to amend, modify, or supplement this Objection, and to object to alleged evidence of adequate assurance of future performance by Generate, once provided.

WHEREFORE, BitNile respectfully requests that the Court (i) condition assumption of the Master Agreement on the immediate payment in full of all amounts necessary to cure the Debtors’ default under the Master Agreement, including any losses suffered by BitNile as a result of the Debtors’ default, (ii) require compliance with all obligations under the Master Agreement and Order Form, (iii) require that Generate honor the Deposit paid to the Debtors in connection with the Master Agreement and that any and all rights of setoff and recoupment are preserved by BitNile, and (iv) grant BitNile such other relief as may be just and proper.

Houston, Texas
November 3, 2022

/s/ Jason S. Brookner

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE


The undersigned hereby certifies that on the 3rd day of November 2022, he caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing document to be served via the Court's CM/ECF system and via electronic mail on the Objection Notice Parties (as defined in the Sale Procedures Order).

/s/ Jason S. Brookner

Jason S. Brookner

Exhibit C

Rejection Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas Compute North Holdings, Inc. Claims Processing Center c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC P.O. Box 4421 Beaverton, OR 97076-4421		Case 22-90273-0002 Filed 02/01/23 Desc Main Document Page 1 of 22 To submit your form online please go to https://epiqworkflow.com/cases/CPN
Name of Debtor: Compute North LLC Case Number: 22-90273 (MI)		RECEIVED FEB 01 2023
<input type="checkbox"/> Check box if the address on the envelope sent to you by the court needs to be updated. Identify your replacement address in Part 1 (Section 3) below.	For Court Use Only <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> LEGAL SERVICES Filed: USBC - Southern District of Texas Compute North Holdings, Inc., Et al (B10) 22-90273 (MI) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">CPN</div>  </div> 0000000042 </div>	

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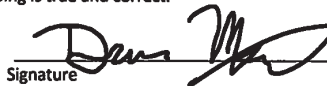
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2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. From whom? _____			
3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent? Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)			
Where should notices to the creditor be sent? <u>BitNile Inc.</u> Name <u>11411 Southern Highlands Pkwy, Suite 240</u> Number Street <u>Las Vegas, NV 89141</u> City State ZIP Code Country (if International): _____ Contact phone: <u>949-444-5464</u> Contact email: <u>darren@aault.com</u>	Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different) <u>Same</u> Name Number Street City State ZIP Code Country (if International): _____ Contact phone: _____ Contact email: _____	4. Does this claim amend one already filed? <input type="checkbox"/> No See Addendum <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes. Claim number on court claims register (if known) _____ Filed on _____ MM / DD / YYYY 5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No See Addendum <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Who made the earlier filing? _____	
Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed			
6. Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor: _____	7. How much is the claim? <u>\$ 21,067,505.05</u> Does this amount include interest or other charges? <input type="checkbox"/> No See Addendum <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).	8. What is the basis of the claim? Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information. <u>Contract rejection claim (which supersedes prior claim). See addendum attached.</u>	

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<p>9. Is all or part of the claim secured?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property. Nature of property:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment (official Form 410-A) with this Proof of Claim.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Motor vehicle</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other. Describe: _____</p> <p>Basis for perfection: _____</p> <p>Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.)</p> <p>Value of property: \$ _____</p> <p>Amount of the claim that is secured: \$ _____</p> <p>Amount of the claim that is unsecured: \$ _____ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.)</p> <p>Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: \$ _____</p> <p>Annual Interest Rate (when case was filed) _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed <input type="checkbox"/> Variable</p>	<p>12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Check one:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B). \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$3,350* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7). \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$15,150*) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4). \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8). \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5). \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a)() that applies. \$ _____</p> <p>* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/01/25 and every 3 years after that for cases begun on or after the date of adjustment.</p>
<p>13. Does this claim qualify as an Administrative Expense under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9)?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Amount that qualifies as an Administrative Expense under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9): \$ _____</p>	
<p>Part 3: Sign Below</p> <div style="display: flex;"> <div style="width: 20%; padding-right: 10px;"> <p>The person completing this proof of claim must sign and date it. FRBP 9011(b).</p> <p>If you file this claim electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what a signature is.</p> <p>A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.</p> </div> <div style="width: 80%;"> <p>Check the appropriate box:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I am the creditor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am a guarantor, surety, endorser, or other co-debtor. Bankruptcy Rule 3005.</p> <p>I understand that an authorized signature on this Proof of Claim serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.</p> <p>I have examined the information in this Proof of Claim and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.</p> <p>I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.</p> <p>Executed on date <u>02/01/2023</u> <u></u> MM / DD / YYYY Signature</p> <p>Print the name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:</p> <p>Name <u>Darren</u> <u>Marcel</u> <u>Magot</u> First name Middle name Last name</p> <p>Title <u>Senior Vice President</u></p> <p>Company <u>BitNile Inc.</u> Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.</p> <p>Address <u>11411 Southern Highlands Pkwy, suite 240</u> Number Street</p> <p><u>Las Vegas, NV 89141</u> City State ZIP Code</p> <p>Contact Phone <u>949-444-5464</u> Email <u>darren@ault.com</u></p> </div> </div>	

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Official Form 410 - Instructions for Proof of Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court

These instructions and definitions generally explain the law. In certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy cases that debtors do not file voluntarily, exceptions to these general rules may apply. You should consider obtaining the advice of an attorney, especially if you are unfamiliar with the bankruptcy process and privacy regulations.

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How to fill out this form

- Fill in all of the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed.
- Fill in the caption at the top of the form. The full list of debtors is provided under the general information section on the Claims Agent's website: <https://dm.epiq11.com/case/CPN>.
- If the claim has been acquired from someone else, then state the identity of the last party who owned the claim or was the holder of the claim and who transferred it to you before the initial claim was filed.
- Attach any supporting documents to this form. Attach redacted copies of any documents that show that the debt exists, a lien secures the debt, or both. (See the definition of redaction below.)
 Also attach redacted copies of any documents that show perfection of any security interest or any assignments or transfers of the debt. In addition to the documents, a summary may be added. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (called "Bankruptcy Rule") 3001(c) and (d).
- Do not attach original documents because attachments may be destroyed after scanning.
- If the claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, do not disclose confidential health care information. Leave out or redact confidential information both in the claim and in the attached documents.
- A Proof of Claim form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, individual's tax identification number, or financial account number, and only the year of any person's date of birth. See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.
- For a minor child, fill in only the child's initials and the full name and address of the child's parent or guardian. For example, write A.B., a minor child (John Doe, parent, 123 Main St, City, State). See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.

Confirmation that the claim has been filed

To receive confirmation that the claim has been filed, either enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and a copy of this form or you may access the Claims Agent's website (<https://dm.epiq11.com/CPN>) to view your filed form under "Claims."

Where to File Proof of Claim Form

First Class Mail:

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas
Compute North Holdings, Inc. Claims Processing Center
 c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC
 P.O. Box 4421
 Beaverton, OR 97076-4421

Hand Delivery or Overnight Mail:

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas
Compute North Holdings, Inc. Claims Processing Center
 c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC
 10300SW Allen Blvd
 Beaverton, OR 97005

Electronic Filing:

By accessing the E-filing File a Claim link at
<https://dm.epiq11.com/CPN>

Understand the terms used in this form

Administrative expense: Generally, an expense that arises after a bankruptcy case is filed in connection with operating, liquidating, or distributing the bankruptcy estate. 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Claim: A creditor's right to receive payment for a debt that the debtor owed on the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (5). A claim may be secured or unsecured.

Creditor: A person, corporation, or other entity to whom a debtor owes a debt that was incurred on or before the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (10).

Debtor: A person, corporation, or other entity who is in bankruptcy. Use the debtor's name and case number as shown in the bankruptcy notice you received. 11 U.S.C. § 101 (13).

Evidence of perfection: Evidence of perfection of a security interest may include documents showing that a security interest has been filed or recorded, such as a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, or financing statement.

Information that is entitled to privacy: A Proof of Claim form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, an individual's tax identification number, or a financial account number, only the initials of a minor's name, and only the year of any person's date of birth. If a claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, limit the disclosure of the goods or services to avoid embarrassment or disclosure of confidential health care information. You may later be required to give more information if the trustee or someone else in interest objects to the claim.

Priority claim: A claim within a category of unsecured claims that is entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. §507(a). These claims are paid from the available money or property in a bankruptcy case before other unsecured claims are paid. Common priority unsecured claims include alimony, child support, taxes, and certain unpaid wages.

Proof of claim: A form that shows the amount of debt the debtor owed to a creditor on the date of the bankruptcy filing. The form must be filed in the district where the case is pending.

Redaction of information: Masking, editing out, or deleting certain information to protect privacy. Filers must redact or leave out information entitled to privacy on the Proof of Claim form and any attached documents.

Secured claim under 11 U.S.C. §506(a): A claim backed by a lien on particular property of the debtor. A claim is secured to the extent that a creditor has the right to be paid from the property before other creditors are paid. The amount of a secured claim usually cannot be more than the value of the particular property on which the creditor has a lien. Any amount owed to a creditor that is more than the value of the property normally may be an unsecured claim. But exceptions exist; for example, see 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b) and the final sentence of 1325(a).

Examples of liens on property include a mortgage on real estate or a security interest in a car. A lien may be voluntarily granted by a debtor or may be obtained through a court proceeding. In some states, a court judgment may be a lien.

Setoff: Occurs when a creditor pays itself with money belonging to the debtor that it is holding, or by canceling a debt it owes to the debtor.

Uniform claim identifier: An optional 24-character identifier that some creditors use to facilitate electronic payment.

Unsecured claim: A claim that does not meet the requirements of a secured claim. A claim may be unsecured in part to the extent that the amount of the claim is more than the value of the property on which a creditor has a lien.

Offers to purchase a claim

Certain entities purchase claims for an amount that is less than the face value of the claims. These entities may contact creditors offering to purchase their claims. Some written communications from these entities may easily be confused with official court documentation or communications from the debtor. These entities do not represent the bankruptcy court, the bankruptcy trustee, or the debtor. A creditor has no obligation to sell its claim. However, if a creditor decides to sell its claim, any transfer of that claim is subject to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e), any provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.) that apply, and any orders of the bankruptcy court that apply.

Do not file these instructions with your form.

ATTACHMENT TO PROOF OF REJECTION CLAIM OF BITNILE, INC.

The following is a summary of the unsecured claim held by BitNile, Inc. (“BitNile”) against debtor Compute North LLC (“Debtor” or “Compute North”). BitNile reserves the right to amend and/or supplement the Proof of Claim and this attachment thereto (collectively, this “Proof of Claim”) in all respects. Upon information and belief, the relevant documents setting forth BitNile’s claim are already in the possession of the Debtor. Copies of these documents will be made available to the Court upon request.

BitNile is a leading cryptocurrency miner. BitNile and Compute North are parties to that certain Master Agreement, dated August 15, 2022 (the “Master Agreement”), pursuant to which Compute North was to provide colocation and other services for BitNile’s cryptocurrency mining hardware (the “Mining Equipment”). BitNile’s Mining Equipment—with a value in excess of \$40 million—is its own property and is not property of the estate: the Debtors may neither use, sell nor lease the Mining Equipment under section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise.

Upon entry into the Master Agreement, BitNile and Compute North executed an Order Form (the “Order Form”)¹ pursuant to which (a) BitNile delivered approximately 6,572 miners to Compute North, to be located in the Wolf Hollow Facility in Granbury, Texas (the “Wolf Hollow Facility”), which facility is owned by non-debtor CN Borrower, LLC (“CN Borrower”) and (b) Compute North was to install those miners and provide, among other things, electricity and network connectivity necessary to operate those miners.

On August 22, 2022, BitNile paid an initial deposit in the amount of \$2,012,088.00 (the “Deposit”) to Compute North. At the time the Deposit was made, BitNile was assured that its Mining Equipment would be ready for use and energized. As stated below, however, the Debtors made material misrepresentations to BitNile about their financial condition and their abilities to operate and energize the facility.

BitNile believes it was defrauded in connection with the execution of the Master Agreement and the inducement to make the Deposit. Indeed, just weeks after the Deposit was made, this chapter 11 case was commenced and BitNile was never able to energize the Mining Equipment located at the Wolf Hollow facility.

On September 22, 2022, the Debtors, including Compute North, each filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in this Court. On January 27, 2023, this Court entered an Order rejecting certain contracts (the “Rejection Order”), including the Master Agreement and Order Form, and permitting BitNile thirty (30) days to submit proofs of claim based on those rejected contracts. (Dkt. No. 871.) This claim is for rejection damages filed in accordance with the Rejection Order.

Prior to entry of the Rejection Order, Compute North failed to perform its obligations under the Master Agreement and the Order Form. The Mining Equipment was never energized or “powered on” notwithstanding assurances from Compute North to the contrary. To date, BitNile has still not received back its miners and is in process of doing so with the purchaser of

¹ A copy of the Master Agreement and Order Form are annexed as Exhibit A hereto.

the Wolf Hollow facility. Included in this claim are costs and damages resulting for the forgoing.

BitNile has suffered, and continues to suffer, mounting daily damages due to Compute North's non-performance and breaches of the Master Agreement and Order Form and BitNile's inability to utilize its Mining Equipment at the Wolf Hollow Facility or otherwise.

As of the date of this Proof of Claim, the Debtor is indebted to BitNile in the following amounts:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Deposit paid	\$2,012,088.00
Storage fees incurred to-date	\$22,481.70
Estimated additional storage fees expected to be incurred through May 2023 ²	\$20,000.00
Initial moving fees to Wolf Hollow Facility	\$90,405.00
Estimated moving fees from Wolf Hollow Facility	\$68,072.00
Estimated packaging costs to ship Mining Equipment	TBD ³
Lost profits for the period October 1, 2022 through May 2023, which is comprised of: \$103,556.85 in losses between October 1, 2022 and January 31, 2023, ⁴ and estimated losses of \$125,446.92 for February 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 (based on the average per diem losses for the period October 1, 2022 through January 31, 2023)	\$229,003.95

² BitNile includes expenses, costs, and lost revenue through June 2023, as BitNile hopes to a secure an alternate site for its Mining Equipment to be powered on by July 1, 2023. BitNile reserves the right to supplement its claimed damages to the extent that BitNile is unable to secure an alternate site for the Mining Equipment to be powered on by July 1, 2023, and/or the Debtors damage or fail to release to BitNile any of the Mining Equipment.

³ BitNile is awaiting an estimate of these costs from US Bitcoin Corp. as operator of the Wolf Hollow Facility.

⁴ These amounts were calculated using the calculator available at <https://www.coinwarz.com/mining/bitcoin/calculator>, utilizing the following inputs: (i) Bitcoin Mining Hashrate: 650 PH (for 6,572 machines); (ii) Power Consumption of 1,985,000 Watts (for all 6,572 machines); (iii) Electrical costs all in at \$0.07; and (iv) Pool/maintenance fee of .03%.

Estimated cover damages (for the period July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027) ⁵	\$18,625,454.40
TOTAL	\$21,067,505.05

This Proof of Claim is filed with a full reservation of rights, including the right to amend and/or supplement this Proof of Claim in all respects, including to assert additional, supplementary, and/or amended proofs of claim based on events, information, and/or documents obtained through discovery or otherwise. In addition, BitNile reserves any rights of setoff and/or recoupment it may have in connection with the claim asserted in this Proof of Claim. The filing of this Proof of Claim is not intended and should not be construed to be an election of remedies, waiver of any past, present, or future defaults or events of default, or a limitation of any rights, remedies, claims, or defenses of BitNile, including any arbitration rights BitNile may have.

BitNile also reserves the right to amend this Proof of Claim to assert additional amounts, including, without limitation, professional fees that BitNile has incurred in connection with the filing of this Proof of Claim.

All notices concerning this Proof of Claim shall be sent to:

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Thomas J. Fleming
Kerrin T. Klein
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Counsel for BitNile, Inc.

Dated: New York, New York
February 1, 2023

BITNILE, INC.

By: Darren Magot
Name: Darren Magot
Title: Senior Vice President

⁵ These cover damages were calculated by comparing the pricing set forth in BitNile's agreements with Compute North during the period covered by those agreements, and the pricing demanded by Generate, and is subject to change.

EXHIBIT A

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**COMPUTENORTH****Exhibit A – Order Form****Customer:** Ault (BitNile)**Date of Order or Change Order:** 8/15/22

Batch #	001	
Deal ID	6993418348	
Order Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Order <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Change Order	
Equipment		
Quantity	Model	Unit Efficiency (W/TH)
6,500	Antminer S19j Pro (100TH)	31
Hosting Services Rate (USD)	Anticipated Daily Rate: \$32,884.80 (equivalent to \$0.068 / kWh)	
Total Monthly Package Fee (per unit)	Select @ \$3.00	
Equipment Term	60 Months	

Package Details:

	Basic	Select	Premier
Core Features			
Equipment	Customer Provided	Customer Provided	Customer Provided
Equipment Managed	No	Yes	Yes
Rack Space	X	X	X
240V Power	X	X	X
Ambient Air Cooling	X	X	X
Redundant Internet Connectivity	X	X	X
Physical Security	X	X	X
Technical Support			
Basic Remote Hands	X	X	X
Advanced Remote Hands		X	X
SLA Level	Network & Power	Hashrate Performance	Hashrate Performance
VPN Access	X		
RMA Processing		X	X
Premium Features			
Miner Configuration		X	X
Miner Monitoring		X	X
Alert Management and Proactive Response		X	X
Automated Rules-based Reboots		X	X
Stock Firmware Upgrades		X	X
Compute North Pool (U.S.-based pool)			X
Pool to Hash Performance Monitoring, Audit, Reconciliation			X
Discounted Pool Fee			X
Performance Enhancing Firmware			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overclocking, Underclocking, Auto-tuning, Upgrades Customer provided (subject to Compute North approval) or Compute North provided (miner model limited) 			X

Payment and Billing Terms:

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- **Initial Setup Fee:** Initial Setup Fee is due upon execution of this Order Form.
- **Monthly Fees:**
 - Last two months of Monthly Service and Package Fees are due upon execution of this Order Form (the "Initial Deposit"), as follows:

Initial Deposit

Service Fees: (\$32,884.80 /day x 30 days/mo. x 2 mos.)	\$1,973,088.00
Package Fees: (6,500 miners x \$3.00/miner x 2 mos.)	+ \$39,000.00
Total Initial Deposit	<u>\$2,012,088.00</u>

Equipment installation will not begin until received.

- The Monthly Service Fee is payable based on the actual hashrate performance of the Equipment per miner type per location as a percentage of the anticipated monthly hashrate per miner type. Customer shall pay a minimum service fee monthly in advance equal to seventy percent (70%) of the Expected Monthly Service Fee (the "Minimum Service Fee") based on the Anticipated Daily Rate. The Minimum Service Fee is nonrefundable.
- The actual Monthly Service Fee is determined using the Hashrate Performance Adjustment:

$$\text{Hashrate Performance Adjustment} = \text{Expected Monthly Service Fees} \times (100\% - \text{Actual hashrate performance percentage by model type})$$

Any Monthly Service Fee owed in excess of the Minimum Service Fee net of the Hashrate Performance Adjustment will be invoiced monthly in arrears. Customer is not eligible for service credits.
- Monthly Service Fees and Monthly Package Fees will be invoiced monthly beginning on the date of Installation and are due upon receipt of invoices submitted by Compute North. Late payments will incur interest at the lesser of 1.5% per month (18% annum) or the maximum amount allowed under applicable law.
- Pricing is subject to monthly automated ACH payments. Other payment methods may be subject to a service fee.

Billing Example – Minimum Service Fee

Anticipated Daily Rate (One Miner)	\$4.00
Period (Days in the Month)	30
Number of Units	10
Expected Total Monthly Service Fees	\$1,200.00
	x 70%
Monthly Minimum Service Fee	<u>\$840.00</u>

Billing Example: 96% hashrate performance

Expected Total Monthly Service Fees	\$1,200.00
Hashrate Performance Adjustment (-4%)	-\$48.00
Total Monthly Service Fee	<u>\$1,152.00</u>

Minimum Service Fee (Prepaid)	-\$840.00
Balance Due	<u>\$312.00</u>

Billing Example: 105% hashrate performance

Expected Total Monthly Service Fees	\$1,200.00
Hashrate Performance Adjustment (5%)	\$60.00
Total Monthly Service Fee	<u>\$1,260.00</u>

Minimum Service Fee (Prepaid)	-\$840.00
Balance Due	<u>\$420.00</u>

Real-Time Interruptible Power:

Real-time interruptible power may not be available for all Equipment. When real-time interruptible power is available, Customer consents to Compute North installing, configuring and maintaining software (including firmware) on the applicable Equipment and using such software to provide real-time interruptible power services subject to this Agreement. Customer acknowledges and agrees that its use of such software is subject to Compute North's agreement with the licensor(s) thereof.

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Deployment Priority:

Customer's deployment priority is established as of the date on which Compute North receives the Initial Deposit. Once established, Compute North will use commercially reasonable efforts to deploy the Equipment consistent with Customer's deployment priority subject to the following acknowledged risk factors: land and site acquisition, regulatory affairs, power purchase agreement (PPA), infrastructure equipment availability (medium voltage cables, containers, etc.), and long lead time equipment procurement (substation, transformer, etc.).

Invoice Detail:

Contact Name	William Horne
Email	will@bitnile.com
Phone	(206) 769-6000
Billing Street	11411 Southern Highlands Pkwy, Suite 240
Billing City/State/Zip/Country	Las Vegas, NV 89141

Compute North Pool:

At Customer's request, Compute North will enroll and configure Customer in Compute North's Bitcoin mining pool, which operates on a Full-Pay-Per-Share (FPPS) basis. Customer's use of Compute North's mining pool is subject to, and constitutes Customer's acceptance of, the then-current terms of service posted at <https://mining.luxor.tech/legal/tos>, as may be updated from time to time. Compute North shall be entitled to a fee equal to 2% of Customer's mining reward from its participation in Compute North's pool. Customer acknowledges and agrees that Compute North is providing Customer with access to its mining pool for Customer's convenience on an as-is basis and that Compute North does not make any warranties or guarantees, whether express or implied, regarding the availability or performance thereof.

Order Type:

☐ **For orders designated as "Renewal" or "Change Order":** This Order Form replaces all then-existing order forms under the applicable Agreement between Compute North and Customer for the identified Equipment, with all other order forms remaining in full force and effect. The Previous Orders and Equipment List attached and appended hereto identifies the Equipment that remains subject to a prior order form as of the date of this Order Form.

☒ **For orders designated as "New":** This Addendum is and shall be in addition to all then-existing order forms under the applicable Agreement between Compute North and Customer, which order forms shall remain in full force and effect. The Previous Orders and Equipment List attached and appended hereto identifies the Equipment that remains subject to a prior order form as of the date of this Order Form.

Compute North LLC

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 By: Kyle Wenzel
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 Name: Kyle Wenzel
 Its: Chief Commercial Officer

Ault (BitNile)

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 By: William B. Horne
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 Name: William B. Horne
 Its: CEO

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Previous Orders and Equipment List

Batch #	Equipment Type	Quantity	Facility
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MASTER AGREEMENT

This Master Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated 8/15/2022, is between Compute North LLC ("Compute North") and BitNile, Inc. ("Customer"). In consideration of the promises set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Services.** Compute North shall provide, and Customer shall pay for, the colocation, managed and other services (the "Services") for Customer's cryptocurrency mining hardware (the "Mining Equipment," and collectively with any Capital Equipment and Acquired Hardware, the "Equipment") identified on the order form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A, as may be updated or supplemented in writing and duly signed by Customer and Compute North from time to time (the "Order Form"). Compute North shall provide the Services consistent with, and as more fully described in, its customer handbook (the "Customer Handbook"), available at www.computenorth.com/handbook-sla.pdf and incorporated herein, as Compute North may update from time to time.
2. **Colocation Services.**
 - 2.1. **Colocation Facility.** Compute North will provide Services for Mining Equipment at a facility provided with electricity and network connectivity sited at the location specified the Order Form (the "Facility") during the Equipment Term specified on the Order Form in accordance with the Customer Handbook.
 - 2.2. **Acceptable Use Policy.** Customer's receipt of Services and its use of Mining Equipment pursuant to this Agreement is subject to Customer's compliance with Compute North's then-current Acceptable Use Policy, available at www.computenorth.com/acceptable-use-policy and incorporated herein, as Compute North may update from time to time.
 - 2.3. **Customer Portal.** Compute North will provide Customer with access to its customer portal. Customer's access to and use of the customer portal is subject to, and Customer agrees to be bound by, Compute North's Terms of Use, available at www.computenorth.com/terms-of-use/ and incorporated herein, as Compute North may update from time to time. All written notices required by Customer under this Agreement shall be submitted using the customer portal, and all written notices by Compute North may be made using the customer portal or by email to the address set forth on Customer's most recent Order Form.
 - 2.4. **Transfer of Mining Equipment.** Customer shall promptly notify Compute North if it transfers legal title or grants to any third-party rights in or to any Equipment to a third party. All such transfers shall be subject to and shall preserve Compute North's security interest under Section 6. In the event of a transfer, Customer shall remain obligated to pay Compute North the Monthly Service Fees for the transferred Mining Equipment for the remainder of the Equipment Term applicable to such Mining Equipment unless and until such Mining Equipment is placed into service under, and is subject to, a colocation agreement between the acquiring third party and Compute North, which shall require Compute North's approval (including satisfaction of Compute North's credit and know-your-customer requirements).
 - 2.5. **Transfer of Services.** Customer may not sublicense, assign, delegate or otherwise transfer its receipt of Services under this Agreement to a third party without Compute North's written consent in its sole discretion. Compute North shall not under any circumstance be deemed to be providing any Services to any third party for or on behalf of Customer.
3. **Hardware Acquisition.** Compute North agrees to acquire and sell to Customer, and Customer agrees to buy from Compute North, such cryptocurrency mining hardware, if any, elected on the Order Form



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("Acquired Hardware"). The initial deposit for the Acquired Hardware set forth on the Order Form (the "Hardware Deposit") shall be due and payable as of the date on which Compute North and Customer have both executed the Order Form, with the remaining balance owed for the Acquired Hardware due and payable by the earlier of (a) the date on which Compute North notifies Customer that the Acquired Hardware has been shipped or (b) as stated on the Order Form. Legal title to the Acquired Equipment only shall transfer to Customer when the fee for the Acquired Hardware has been paid to Compute North in full. The Acquired Hardware shall be Mining Equipment subject to this Agreement upon its delivery to the Facility. Customer solely shall be responsible for determining whether the Acquired Hardware is fit and suitable for its particular purposes. Customer acknowledges that no warranty, express or implied, is provided by Compute North for any Acquired Hardware and agrees that the only warranties associated therewith are the warranties, if any, offered or made by the manufacturers thereof.

4. Term and Termination.

- 4.1. Term of Agreement. This Agreement shall be effective as of the date on which it has been executed by Compute North and Customer (the "Effective Date") and, unless otherwise terminated, shall continue until all Equipment Terms for all Equipment under each Order Form have expired or terminated.
- 4.2. Equipment Term. The Equipment Term set forth on an Order Form for each piece of Equipment shall commence as of the date Compute North notifies Customer in writing that the Mining Equipment has been received and turned on by Compute North. Unless an Order Form provides otherwise, the Equipment Term shall renew for successive one (1) month periods unless one party notifies the other in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the conclusion of the then-current Equipment Term.
- 4.3. Mining Equipment Return. Upon Customer's written request, and provided that Customer has paid all amounts then due and owing under this Agreement, Compute North shall decommission and return the corresponding Mining Equipment to Customer upon the expiration or termination of the applicable Equipment Term as provided in Section 8.3.
- 4.4. Event of Default. An event of default (each, a "Default") shall exist if Customer: (a) fails to make any payment(s) due pursuant to this Agreement; (b) violates, or fails to perform or fulfill any covenant or provision of this Agreement, and such matter is not cured within ten (10) days after written notice from Compute North; or (c) enters into bankruptcy, dissolution, financial failure or insolvency.
- 4.5. Effect of Default. In the event of a Default by Customer, Compute North may terminate this Agreement or any Order Form on written notice to Customer and Customer shall pay immediately to Compute North (i) all amounts then owed under this Agreement (or the applicable Order Form(s)) plus, (ii) as liquidated damages, the Fees that would have been paid for the remainder of the applicable Equipment Term(s) if the Agreement or Order Form(s), as applicable, were not terminated. The Parties agree that the damages sustained by Compute North in connection with the termination of this Agreement may be difficult or impossible to determine, or that obtaining an adequate remedy would be unreasonably time consuming or expensive and otherwise inconvenient, and therefore agree that in the event of such termination, the liquidated damages are a reasonable approximation of the harm or loss, and not a penalty. If Customer fails to make any payments due under this Agreement (including, as applicable, the amounts specified in clauses (i) and (ii) above plus interest thereon, the "Default Amount"), in addition to any other rights and remedies it may have, Compute North shall have the right to (a) sell or retain possession of, (b) reconfigure for Compute North's use, or (c) remove and



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store at Customer's expense, all or any portion of the Mining Equipment without any cost, obligation or liability of Compute North to Customer; provided, that the net proceeds received by Compute North in exercise of its remedies under clauses (a) and (b) may not exceed the aggregate Default Amount for this Agreement or Order Form(s), as applicable.

5. Fees and Payment.

- 5.1. **Initial Fees.** The one-time fee for setup, installation, and configuration of Mining Equipment (the "Initial Setup Fee") and the initial deposit specified in the applicable Order Form (the "Initial Deposit") and any Hardware Deposit shall be due and payable as of the date on which Compute North and Customer have both executed an Order Form. The Initial Setup Fee is non-refundable and non-transferrable under any circumstance. The Initial Deposit and Hardware Deposit are non-transferrable under any circumstance and are not refundable except as expressly set forth herein and only to the extent that all of Customer's obligations under this Agreement have been fully satisfied.
 - 5.2. **Monthly Fees.** Customer shall pay to Compute North the Monthly Service Fees and Monthly Package Fees (collectively, the "Fees") as set forth on the Order Form. Compute North reserves the right to adjust fixed-rate Monthly Service Fees (but not performance-based Monthly Service Fees) based on the actual performance and efficiency of the Equipment, as reasonably determined by Compute North. Late payments of any Fees shall bear interest at the lesser of 1.5% per month or the maximum amount allowed under applicable law.
 - 5.3. **Taxes.** All amounts payable by Customer under this Agreement are exclusive of, and Customer shall solely be responsible for paying, all taxes, duties, and fees, including federal, state, and local taxes on manufacture, sales, gross income, receipts, occupation, and use, not based on Compute North's income that arise out of this Agreement. If any deduction, withholding, or payment for taxes is required in any jurisdiction on amounts payable to Compute North, Customer shall indemnify and make Compute North whole for the full amount thereof.
 - 5.4. **Payment Method.** Unless otherwise agreed in writing, all payments due and owing under this Agreement shall be made through automated clearing-house ("ACH") transfers by Compute North from an account established by Customer at a United States bank designated by Customer (the "Payment Account"). Customer agrees to execute and deliver to Compute North or its ACH payment agent an authorization agreement authorizing Compute North to initiate ACH transfers from the Payment Account to Compute North in the amounts required or permitted under this Agreement. Customer shall be responsible for all costs, expenses or other fees and charges incurred by Compute North as a result of any failed or returned ACH transfers, whether resulting from insufficient sums being available in the Payment Account or otherwise.
6. **Security Interest.** Customer hereby grants and assigns to Compute North a continuing first-position security interest in, and lien on, the Equipment (including Equipment acquired after the Effective Date), and all proceeds resulting therefrom or the liquidation thereof, in each case wherever located and whether now existing or hereafter coming into existence, as collateral security for Customer's performance of its obligations under this Agreement when due. Compute North may, as it deems appropriate, file UCC-1 financing statements to evidence this security interest and Customer agrees to cooperate fully with Compute North to obtain and perfect this security interest as may be reasonably required.



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7. Network and Access.

- 7.1. Network. Compute North will provide a minimum of 100 mbps of local network connectivity for all Mining Equipment on a single Ethernet segment. Customer may request VPN access its Mining Equipment. Customer is solely responsible for preventing unauthorized network access to the Mining Equipment. Customer authorizes Compute North to monitor Customer's network usage and traffic and to access, collect and use data relating to the Mining Equipment and Customer's use thereof in the course of providing Services.
- 7.2. Access. Only persons specifically authorized by Compute North in writing may access the Facility. Compute North may deny or suspend Customer's access to the Equipment based on Compute North's then-current Security Policies and Procedures. Without limiting the foregoing: all access into the Facility must be supervised by a Compute North representative; Customer shall provide two (2) day' written notice to Compute North prior to any maintenance or repair of the Equipment; Customer shall perform Equipment maintenance and repairs during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 7 am to 6 pm Central Time); and, Customer may request immediate or after-hour access to the Facility to perform emergency maintenance. Customer shall be solely responsible for any damage or loss caused by anyone acting for or on its behalf while at the Facility.
- 7.3. Third-Party Management. Customer shall notify Compute North if it engages a third party to provide services on its behalf with respect to the Equipment. Customer shall be fully responsible for all acts or omissions by any third-party service provider acting for or on its behalf.
- 7.4. Hazardous Conditions. If any hazardous conditions arise on, from, or affecting the Facility, whether caused by Customer or a third party, Compute North may suspend Services under this Agreement without liability until the hazardous conditions have been resolved.
- 7.5. Demand Response, Load Resource and Curtailment Programs. Customer acknowledges and understands that Compute North participates in various demand response/, load resource, curtailment, or other, similar programs ("LRP Programs") at its facilities. Customer understands and agrees that Compute North's participation in LRP Programs provides the applicable electric grid operator and Compute North, in response to requests from the applicable grid operator, with the capability to shut off the power serving Compute North customers in response to certain electric system or energy market situations. Customer agrees that the Fees reflect Compute North's participation in the LRP Programs and that Compute North shall have no liability to Customer for any actions or omissions due to or resulting from its participation in the LRP Programs.

8. Removals and Relocation of Mining Equipment.

- 8.1. Relocation. Compute North may relocate Mining Equipment within the Facility or to another Compute North facility upon twenty (20) days' prior written notice to Customer at Compute North's expense.
- 8.2. Emergency. In the event of an emergency, Compute North may rearrange, remove, or relocate Mining Equipment at Customer's expenses and without any liability to Compute North. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of emergency, Compute North shall provide Customer, to the extent practicable, reasonable notice prior to rearranging, removing, or relocating Mining Equipment.



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8.3. **Mining Equipment Return.** Provided that Customer has paid all amounts then due and owing under this Agreement, including costs due with respect to this Section 8.3, Compute North shall decommission and make the Mining Equipment available to Customer for pickup at, or shipment from, the Facility within thirty (30) business days of Customer's written request. Customer shall be responsible for all deinstallation, packing, storage, transportation, delivery, and other costs associated with removing and returning its Mining Equipment, including as set forth in the Customer Handbook. Compute North will notify Customer when its Mining Equipment is ready for pickup, and Customer shall arrange for pickup and removal of the Mining Equipment at its sole risk and expense. If Customer does not remove the Mining Equipment as provided herein, Compute North may charge Customer for storage from the date of notice that the Mining Equipment is ready for pickup. Any Mining Equipment that is not picked up and removed within thirty (30) days of such notice shall be deemed abandoned and legal title to such Mining Equipment shall transfer to Compute North.

9. Customer Responsibilities.

- 9.1. **Licenses and Permits.** Customer is responsible for obtaining any licenses, permits, consents, and approvals from any federal, state, or local government that may be necessary to install, possess, own, or operate the Equipment. Unless specifically set forth on the applicable Order Form, Customer is solely responsible for all requirements for renewable energy certificates, allowances, or other carbon offsets required by or otherwise necessary for Customer's compliance with any federal, state, local or other applicable Law. As used herein, "Law" means any law, statute, rule, protocol, procedure, exchange rule, tariff, decision, requirement, writ, order, decree or judgment adopted by or any interpretation thereof by any court, government agency, regulatory body, instrumentality or other entity, including an electric utility, retail electric provider, regional transmission organization or independent system operator.
- 9.2. **Insurance.** Customer acknowledges that Compute North is not an insurer and Equipment is not covered by any insurance policy held by Compute North. Customer is solely responsible for obtaining insurance coverage for the Equipment. Customer shall have and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement commercial general liability insurance for both bodily injury and property damage.
- 9.3. **Equipment in Good Working Order.** Customer shall be responsible for delivering all Equipment that is not Acquired Hardware to the Facility and such Equipment shall be in good working order and suitable for use in the Facility. Customer is responsible for all risk of loss or damage to the prior to Compute North receiving the Equipment at the Facility, regardless of whether such Equipment is delivered by the Customer or Acquired Hardware. Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the troubleshooting and repair of Equipment received in non-working order, including parts and labor at Compute North's then-current rates. Compute North is not responsible in any way for installation delays or losses as a result of Equipment not in good working order upon arrival at Facility.
- 9.4. **Modification or Overclocking of Mining Equipment.** Customer shall notify and obtain prior written approval from Compute North before any material modifications, alternations, firmware adjustments, over-clocking or other changes are made to Mining Equipment ("Modified Equipment") that are intended to or might cause the Equipment's performance to deviate from the standard or factory specifications. If Equipment subject to fixed-rate Monthly Service Fees has been materially altered or modified without Compute North's prior written approval ("Non-Compliant Equipment"), it shall be an event of Default and Customer shall



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owe an additional Non-Compliant Equipment fee equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the monthly Fees for such Equipment for each month Equipment was non-compliant.

10. Representations, Warranties, and Disclaimer.

- 10.1. Mutual. Customer and Computer North each represents and warrants that: it is properly constituted and organized; it is duly authorized to enter into and perform this Agreement; and, its execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement will not violate the terms of any other agreement to which it is a party or obligation by which it is bound.
- 10.2. By Customer. Customer represents and warrants that it owns and has good title to, and covenants that it shall continue to own and have good title to, the Equipment free and clear of any mortgage, pledge, lien, charge, security interest, claim or other encumbrance, other than the security interest granted hereunder in favor of Compute North. Customer further represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to Customer's knowledge, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate, or person acting on behalf of Customer or its subsidiaries: has violated or will violate any applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption Law, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act; has violated or will violate any applicable money laundering Laws; or is or will become subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Asset Control of the U.S. Treasury Department.
- 10.3. By Compute North. Compute North represents and warrants that it will provide the Services at the Facility in a professional and workmanlike manner consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Except as expressly set forth herein, COMPUTE NORTH MAKES NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES RELATED TO THE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES OR THE OPERATING TEMPERATURE OF THE FACILITY. THE SERVICES, FACILITY AND ANY ACQUIRED HARDWARE AND CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ARE PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE" BASIS. COMPUTE NORTH DOES NOT PROVIDE MECHANICAL COOLING OR BACKUP POWER AND THE FACILITY IS SUBJECT TO SWINGS IN LOCAL TEMPERATURE, WIND, HUMIDITY AND OTHER SUCH CONDITIONS. COMPUTE NORTH MAKES NO WARRANTY, AND HEREBY DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, WITH RESPECT TO GOODS AND SERVICES SUBJECT TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING ANY (A) WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY; (B) WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE; (C) WARRANTY OF NONINFRINGEMENT AND (D) WARRANTY AGAINST INTERFERENCE. COMPUTE NORTH DOES NOT WARRANT THAT (A) THE SERVICE WILL BE FREE FROM INTERRUPTION OR ERROR; (B) THE SERVICE, CAPITAL EQUIPMENT OR ACQUIRED HARDWARE WILL MEET CUSTOMER'S REQUIREMENTS OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN; OR (C) THE SERVICE, CAPITAL EQUIPMENT OR ACQUIRED HARDWARE WILL PROVIDE ANY FUNCTION NOT EXPRESSLY DESIGNATED AND SET FORTH HEREIN.

11. Limitation of Liability.

- 11.1. Customer understands and acknowledges that, in certain situations, Services and Equipment functionality may be unavailable due to factors outside of Compute North's control, including force majeure, weather, network failures, pool operator failures, denial of service attacks, network and power grid outages, cyberattacks, including hacking or malicious attacks on networks or exchanges, or Acts of God ("External Factors"). Customer further acknowledges that cryptocurrency price movements, difficulty, and legal and regulatory risks ("External Risks") could have a material adverse impact on the value of cryptocurrencies, cryptocurrency



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mining, the Equipment, and the Services. Customer assumes responsibility for all such External Factors and External Risks, and Compute North hereby disclaims all liability for any losses that may arise as a result thereof.

- 11.2. COMPUTE NORTH SHALL HAVE NO OBLIGATION, RESPONSIBILITY, OR LIABILITY FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: (A) ANY INTERRUPTION OR DEFECTS IN THE EQUIPMENT FUNCTIONALITY CAUSED BY FACTORS OUTSIDE OF COMPUTE NORTH'S REASONABLE CONTROL; (B) ANY LOSS, DELETION, OR CORRUPTION OF CUSTOMER'S DATA OR FILES; (C) ANY LOST REVENUE OR PROFITS TO CUSTOMER DURING NETWORK OR POWER OUTAGES OR CURTAILMENT, EQUIPMENT FAILURES, OR OTHER FACTORS OUTSIDE OF COMPUTE NORTH'S DIRECT CONTROL; (D) DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ANY ACTIONS OR INACTIONS OF CUSTOMER OR ANY THIRD PARTY NOT UNDER COMPUTE NORTH'S CONTROL; OR (E) DAMAGES RESULTING FROM EQUIPMENT OR ANY THIRD-PARTY EQUIPMENT.
- 11.3. IN NO EVENT SHALL COMPUTE NORTH BE LIABLE TO CUSTOMER OR ANY OTHER PERSON, FIRM, OR ENTITY IN ANY RESPECT, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, RELIANCE, EXEMPLARY, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, INCLUDING LOSS OF PROFITS, LOSS OF REVENUE, LOSS OF BUSINESS, OR COST OF COVER OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY THEREOF. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS AGREEMENT, COMPUTE NORTH'S TOTAL CUMULATIVE LIABILITY UNDER OR RELATING TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER UNDER CONTRACT LAW, TORT LAW, WARRANTY, OR OTHERWISE (INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES), SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT DAMAGES NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNTS ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY COMPUTE NORTH FROM CUSTOMER FOR THE SERVICE MONTH DURING WHICH THE EVENT GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM OCCURRED.
- 11.4. Remedy. Customer's sole remedy for Compute North's non-performance of its obligations under this Agreement shall be a refund of any fees paid to Compute North for the service month during which the nonperformance occurred. Any action against Compute North in connection with this Agreement must be commenced within one (1) year after the cause of the action has accrued.
- 11.5. Insurance loss. Customer agrees to look exclusively to Customer's insurer to recover for injury or damage in the event of any covered loss or injury, and releases and waives all right of recovery against Compute North for any covered loss or injury.
12. **Indemnification**. Customer shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend Compute North, the Facility Owner, and their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, employees, agents, directors, owners, executives, representatives, Lenders and subcontractors from all third-party liability, claim, judgment, loss, cost, expense or damage, including attorneys' fees and legal expenses, arising out of or relating to the Equipment or Customer's use thereof, or any injuries or damages sustained by any person or property due to any direct or indirect act, omission, negligence or misconduct of Customer, its agents, representatives, employees, contractors and their employees and subcontractors and their employees, including due to a breach of this Agreement by Customer. Customer shall not enter into any settlement or resolution with a third party under this section without Compute North's written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.



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13. Miscellaneous.

- 13.1. Lease Agreement. Compute North may lease certain premises in the Facility from the Facility's owner ("Facility Owner") pursuant to a lease agreement. Customer is not a party to or a beneficiary under such lease, if any, and has no rights thereunder; however, Customer shall be required to adhere to all rules of operation established therein. Whether owned or leased by Compute North, Customer acknowledges and agrees that it does not have, has not been granted, and will not own or hold any real property interest in the Facility, that it is a licensee and not a tenant, and that it does not have any of the rights, privileges, or remedies that a tenant or lessee would have under a real property lease or occupancy agreement.
- 13.2. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including the Order Form and any documents referenced herein, constitutes the parties' entire understanding regarding its subject and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous communications, agreements and understanding, including any prior master or colocation agreement, between them relating thereto. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement and an Order Form, the specific terms and conditions of the Order Form shall take precedence. Customer acknowledges and agrees that it has not, and will not, rely upon any representations, understandings, or other agreements not specifically set forth in this Agreement. This Agreement shall not be superseded, terminated, modified, or amended except by express written agreement of the parties that specifically identifies this Agreement.
- 13.3. Waiver, Severability. The waiver of any breach or default does not constitute the waiver of any subsequent breach or default. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed amended to conform to the applicable Law, or, if it cannot be so amended without materially altering the intention of the parties, it shall be stricken and the remainder of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.
- 13.4. Assignment. Except as part of or in connection with a Change of Control or a reorganization solely among Customer and its Affiliates, Customer shall not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights, or delegate or otherwise transfer any of its obligations or performance under this Agreement, in each case whether voluntarily, involuntarily, by operation of law, or otherwise, without Compute North's written consent. "Change of Control" means (i) a sale by Customer of all or substantially all of its assets that are the subject of this Agreement to an unaffiliated person or entity, (ii) a merger, reorganization, conversion or other transaction in which more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting control of Customer is held by persons or entities who did not hold voting control of such party, whether directly or indirectly, immediately prior to such transaction (excluding any reorganization solely among Customer and any entities that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Customer (each, an "Affiliate"), or (iii) a sale by the equity holders of Customer that results in more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting control of such party being held by persons or entities who did not hold voting control of Customer, whether directly or indirectly, immediately prior to such sale (excluding any reorganization solely among Customer and its Affiliates). Customer shall notify Compute North in writing within ten (10) days of any assignment or transfer under this Section 13.4. Compute North may at any time assign, transfer, delegate, or subcontract any or all of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without Customer's written consent. Subject to the restrictions on assignment of this Agreement, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their legal representatives, successors, and assigns. Customer and Compute North acknowledge and agree that in the event Compute North enters into a partial assignment or other document evidencing a partial transfer of the obligations under this Agreement, (i) this Agreement and the applicable Order Forms shall apply as to the assignee to the extent assigned, (ii) the obligations of Compute North and such assignee shall be several, and not joint or collective obligations and there shall be no cross-default, cross-



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termination or other common performance or liability provisions as between the obligations under this Agreement and any Order Form(s) that are assigned and those obligations under this Agreement and any Order Form(s) that remain with Compute North.

- 13.5. **Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be liable in any way for delay, failure in performance, loss or damage due to any of the following force majeure conditions: fire, strike, embargo, explosion, power failure, flood, lightning, war, water, electrical storms, labor disputes, civil disturbances, governmental requirements, acts of civil or military authority, acts of God, acts of public enemies, inability to secure replacement parts or materials, transportation facilities, or other causes beyond its reasonable control, whether or not similar to the foregoing. This also includes planned service and maintenance needs. Under no circumstances shall the following constitute a force majeure: (i) a Party's inability to finance its obligations or the unavailability of funds to pay amounts when due in the currency of payment, (ii) changes in either Party's market factors, default of payment obligations or other commercial, financial or economic conditions, including failure or loss of any cryptocurrency markets, (iii) the ability of Customer to obtain better economic terms for the Services or similar services or (iv) Customer's failure to timely apply for any licenses, permits, consents, or approvals. No force majeure shall relieve, suspend, or otherwise cause either Party from performing any obligation to indemnify, reimburse, hold harmless or otherwise pay the other Party under this Agreement, including Customer's obligation to pay any Fees. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, Force Majeure includes an increase of ten percent (10%) or more in Compute North's variable operating costs.
- 13.6. **Compliance with Laws.** Customer's use of the Facility and the Equipment located at the Facility shall conform to all applicable Law, including international Law, the Law of the jurisdictions in which Customer is doing business and where the Facility is located. In the event that there is a new or a change in Law that causes Compute North to directly or indirectly incur new or additional costs in connection with the Services or the Facility, Compute North may pass through such costs to Customer without markup, terminate this Agreement or any Order Form, or modify the Services as necessary to account for such costs. Customer shall timely cooperate in any audit or review of Customer's compliance with the terms hereof conducted by or on behalf of Compute North, responding accurately and completely to all inquiries, and providing any requested documents.
- 13.7. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York, excluding any conflicts of law rule or principle which might refer such construction to the laws of another state or country. Any dispute, claim, counterclaim or controversy of any kind arising under or relating to this Agreement is and shall continue to be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New York or of the federal courts sitting in the State of New York, and the parties submit to the jurisdiction of such courts in respect of any such action or proceeding brought in such courts. The parties waive, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, any objection that they may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in such courts and any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES AND, THEREFORE, EACH SUCH PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LEGAL ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.



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- 13.8. Relationship of the Parties. The parties agree that their relationship hereunder is in the nature of independent contractors. Neither party shall be deemed to be the agent, partner, joint venturer or employee of the other, and neither shall have any authority to make any agreements or representations on the other's behalf. Each party shall be solely responsible for the payment of compensation, insurance and taxes of its own personnel, and such personnel are not entitled to the provisions of any employee benefits from the other party. Neither party shall have any authority to make any agreements or representations on the other's behalf without the other's written consent. Additionally, Compute North shall not be responsible for any costs and expenses arising from Customer's performance of its duties and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.
- 13.9. Third-Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement is intended, nor shall anything herein be construed to confer any rights, legal or equitable, in any person or entity other than the parties hereto, the Facility Owner, the Lenders and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 13.10. Publicity. Neither party may use the name, trademark, logo, acronym, or other designation of the other party in connection with any press release, advertising, publicity materials or otherwise without the prior written consent of the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Customer agrees that Compute North may publicly identify Customer, both orally and in writing, as a customer of Compute North.
- 13.11. Construction; Interpretation. Unless the context otherwise requires, words in the singular include the plural, and in the plural include the singular; masculine words include the feminine and neuter; "or" means "either or both" and shall not be construed as exclusive; "including" means "including but not limited to"; "hereof," "hereby," "herein," "hereunder" and similar terms in this Agreement refer to this Agreement as a whole and not any particular section in which such words appear, unless otherwise specified; "any" and "all" each means "any and all" and shall not be construed as terms of limitation; and, a reference to a thing (including any right or intangible asset) includes any part or the whole thereof. Any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply to the interpretation and construction of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be construed as having been jointly drafted by the parties. The titles and headings for particular paragraphs, sections and subsections of this Agreement have been inserted solely for reference purposes and shall not be used to interpret or construe the terms of this Agreement. Compute North's rights and remedies hereunder are cumulative and in addition to any other rights or remedies it may have at law or in equity.
- 13.12. Survival. Notwithstanding any provisions herein to the contrary, the obligations set forth in Sections 4.3, 4.5, 5.3, 5.4, 6, 8.3, 11, 12, and 13 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.
- 13.13. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but which together shall constitute one and the same document. The parties may sign and transmit an electronic signature of this Agreement (whether by facsimile, pdf, email, or other electronic means), which signature shall be binding on the party whose name is contained therein.
- 13.14. Financing Accommodation. Upon the receipt of a written request from Compute North, Customer shall execute, or arrange for the delivery of, such estoppels and other documents, in each case, as may be (A) reasonably necessary in order for Compute North or its affiliates to consummate the financing, (B) customarily provided in connection with financing of a similar nature and (C) reasonably acceptable to Customer. Without limitation of the

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foregoing, Compute North may notify Customer of one or more of its or its affiliate's lenders or financing parties that are financing the Facility (the "Lenders"), and following such notice, Customer shall provide written notice of any default or breach by Compute North to such Lenders, and such Lenders or their designee shall have the right, but not the obligation, to perform any act required to be performed by Compute North under the Agreement to prevent or cure a default or breach as if done by Compute North.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement in a manner appropriate to each and with the authority to do so as of the date set forth below.

Compute North LLC

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By: Kyle Wenzel
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Its: Chief Commercial Officer

Customer

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